

**AN INEXACT ALTERNATING DIRECTION  
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COMPOSITE CONIC PROGRAMMING WITH  
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## Summary

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This thesis focuses on a class of convex composite conic optimization problems with nonlinear constraints. It is inspired by recent developments and success in the study of convex composite quadratic semidefinite programming problems. So far, most of the work concerning conic programming has only dealt with the linearly constrained case, however, in practical applications, some nonlinear constraints apart from the cone constraint are also involved. Therefore, a thorough investigation is needed to close the aforementioned gap.

To acquire some guidance on solving the nonlinearly constrained convex composite conic optimization problems, we begin with the numerical study on some existing first order methods for solving large scale linear semidefinite programming problems. It can be observed from the numerical results that applying the ADMM-type method to the dual problem is a good choice for solving the linear SDP problems. Then, in order to get optimal solutions for large scale linear SDP problems with high accuracy efficiently, we propose an approximate semismooth Newton-CG (ASNCG) method for solving the inner problems involved in the augmented Lagrangian algorithm. The proposed ASNCG method has fast local linear rate convergence though it only needs part of the second order information.

Based on the experience gained from the numerical study on first order methods

for linear SDP problems, we try to design an ADMM-type algorithm for solving the dual of our targeted model. We propose a symmetric Gauss-Seidel based inexact ADMM with indefinite proximal terms for solving the dual of our targeted model. The subproblems corresponding to the nonlinear constraints are discussed and implementable criteria on the inexactness for solving these subproblems are given. We also establish the global convergence and iteration complexity results for the inexact majorized ADMM with indefinite proximal terms. In order to evaluate the efficiency of our proposed algorithm, computational experiments on a variety of convex composite quadratic semidefinite programming problems with quadratic constraints are conducted. The numerical results indicate that our proposed method is very effective and can handle both the linear constraints and the nonlinear constraints efficiently.

# Introduction

In this thesis, we are concentrated on convex composite conic programming problems with nonlinear constraints. In particular, we are interested in the convex quadratic semidefinite programming problems with linear equality, inequality constraints and nonlinear constraints. Let  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{Y}_E, \mathcal{Y}_I, \mathcal{Y}_g$  be real finite dimensional Euclidean spaces. Each of them is equipped with an inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  and its induced norm  $\| \cdot \|$ . The general nonlinearly constrained convex composite conic programming model considered in this thesis is formed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min \quad & \theta(x) + f(x) + \frac{1}{2} \langle x, \mathcal{Q}x \rangle + \langle c, x \rangle \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & \mathcal{A}_E x = b_E, \quad \mathcal{A}_I x - b_I \in \mathcal{C}, \quad g(x) \in \mathcal{K},
 \end{aligned} \tag{1.1}$$

where  $\theta : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow (-\infty, +\infty]$  and  $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow (-\infty, +\infty]$  are two closed proper convex functions,  $\mathcal{Q} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  is a self-adjoint positive semidefinite linear operator,  $\mathcal{A}_E : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_E$ ,  $\mathcal{A}_I : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_I$  are two linear maps,  $g : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_g$  is a nonlinear smooth map,  $c \in \mathcal{X}$  and  $b_E \in \mathcal{Y}_E$ ,  $b_I \in \mathcal{Y}_I$  are given data,  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{Y}_I$ ,  $\mathcal{K} \subseteq \mathcal{Y}_g$  are two closed convex cones. We define the set  $g^{-1}(\mathcal{K}) := \{x \in \mathcal{X} \mid g(x) \in \mathcal{K}\}$ . In this thesis, we only focus on the case when  $g^{-1}(\mathcal{K})$  is convex.

Our goal is to design efficient algorithms for solving this nonlinearly constrained convex composite conic programming, especially for the convex quadratic semidefinite programming problems with nonlinear constraints.

## 1.1 Literature review

There are many interesting problems fit the setting of our general model (1.1). In this section, we briefly discuss some of the prominent special cases of this model and the existing methods for solving them.

One important class is the linear semidefinite programming (SDP):

$$\min \{ \langle C, X \rangle \mid \mathcal{A}_E X = b_E, \mathcal{A}_I X \geq b_I, X \in \mathcal{S}_+^n \cap \mathcal{N} \}, \quad (1.2)$$

where  $\mathcal{S}_+^n$  is the cone of  $n \times n$  symmetric positive semidefinite matrices in the space of  $n \times n$  symmetric matrices  $\mathcal{S}^n$ ,  $C \in \mathcal{S}^n$ ,  $b_E \in \mathbb{R}^{m_E}$  and  $b_I \in \mathbb{R}^{m_I}$  are given data,  $\mathcal{A}_E : \mathcal{S}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m_E}$  and  $\mathcal{A}_I : \mathcal{S}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m_I}$  are two given linear maps,  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  denotes the trace inner product of two matrices, i.e.,  $\langle C, X \rangle = \text{trace}(C^T X)$  and  $\mathcal{N}$  is a nonempty simple closed convex set, e.g.,  $\mathcal{N} = \{X \in \mathcal{S}^n \mid X \geq 0\}$ . Let  $\mathcal{A}^*$  denote the adjoint of  $\mathcal{A}$ , the dual associated with the linear SDP (1.2) takes the form of

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & -\delta_{\mathcal{N}}^*(-Z) + \langle b_E, y_E \rangle + \langle b_I, y_I \rangle \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & Z + S + \mathcal{A}_E^* y_E + \mathcal{A}_I^* y_I = C, \quad y_I \geq 0, \quad S \in \mathcal{S}_+^n, \end{aligned} \quad (1.3)$$

where for any  $Z \in \mathcal{S}^n$ ,  $\delta_{\mathcal{N}}^*(-Z)$  is given by

$$\delta_{\mathcal{N}}^*(-Z) = \sup_{X \in \mathcal{N}} \langle -Z, X \rangle. \quad (1.4)$$

$\delta_{\mathcal{N}}^*(\cdot)$  is in fact the support function of  $\mathcal{N}$ . Problem (1.3) can be equivalently written as

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & (\delta_{\mathcal{N}}^*(-Z) + \delta_{\mathbb{R}_+^{m_I}}(u)) + \delta_{\mathcal{S}_+^n}(S) - \langle b_E, y_E \rangle - \langle b_I, y_I \rangle \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & Z + S + \mathcal{A}_E^* y_E + \mathcal{A}_I^* y_I = C, \\ & u - y_I = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (1.5)$$

where  $\delta_{\mathbb{R}_+^{m_I}}(\cdot)$  is the indicator function over  $\mathbb{R}_+^{m_I}$  and  $\delta_{\mathcal{S}_+^n}(\cdot)$  is the indicator function over  $\mathcal{S}_+^n$ .

Linear SDP has been studied by various researchers on both theoretical and numerical aspects due to its wide applications [8, 20, 57, 56, 81, 70, 50, 51]. Here we

do a quick review on some of the algorithms designed for solving large scale linear SDP problems. For the case  $\mathcal{A}_I$  and  $\mathcal{N}$  in (1.2) are vacuous, Helmberg and Rendl [30] propose a spectral bundle method for a special class of linear SDP, that is, the trace of the primal variable  $X$  is fixed. Under the condition that the trace of  $X$  is fixed, the dual problem (1.3) is then reformulated as an unconstrained eigenvalue optimization problem, and a proximal bundle method [34] is used to solve the resulted eigenvalue optimization problem. Later in [29], the above method is modified to fit the linear SDP model with both equality and inequality constraints. Burer and Monteiro [10, 11] introduce a low-rank factorization method for solving linear SDP problems. As reported in [10, 11], for the case (1.2) with  $\mathcal{A}_I$  and  $\mathcal{N}$  being vacuous, the low rank factorization method can solve the linear SDP to a medium accuracy efficiently. Another impressive work for solving the large scale linear SDP problems is by Zhao, Sun and Toh [90], in which a semismooth Newton-CG augmented Lagrangian (SDPNAL) method is proposed and it can handle large number of linear equality constraints with  $n$  moderate. It is among the most efficient algorithms for solving linear SDP problems with linear equality constraints. However, it may encounter numerical difficulty when there exists a large number of inequality constraints. The problem is then solved by Yang et al [85] by employing a majorized semismooth Newton-CG augmented Lagrangian method coupled with a convergent 3-block alternating direction method of multipliers. Recently, Renegar proposes two first order methods in [61] for semidefinite programming and linear programming. The two methods are based on reformulating the primal problem (1.2) into an eigenvalue optimization problem (EOP) with linear equality constraints, and then applying subgradient methods to the resulted EOP or applying gradient-type methods to the smoothed EOP. In order to find out which approaches are good for providing an approximate optimal solution with moderate accuracy, we explore intensively on the numerical performance of some of the aforementioned methods and algorithms in the subsequent discussions.

The following convex quadratic semidefinite programming (QSDP) has also received a lot of attention.

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \frac{1}{2} \langle X, \mathcal{Q}X \rangle + \langle C, X \rangle \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \mathcal{A}_E X = b_E, \mathcal{A}_I X \geq b_I, X \in \mathcal{S}_+^n \cap \mathcal{N}, \end{aligned} \quad (1.6)$$

where  $\mathcal{Q} : \mathcal{S}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^n$  is a self-adjoint positive semidefinite linear operator. One may refer to [1, 32, 75, 87, 88] to see the wide applications of QSDP problems. The dual of problem (1.6) is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & -\delta_{\mathcal{N}}^*(-Z) - \frac{1}{2} \langle W, \mathcal{Q}W \rangle + \langle b_E, y_E \rangle + \langle b_I, y_I \rangle \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & Z - \mathcal{Q}W + S + \mathcal{A}_E^* y_E + \mathcal{A}_I^* y_I = C, \\ & W \in \mathcal{W}, \quad y_I \geq 0, \quad S \in \mathcal{S}_+^n, \end{aligned} \quad (1.7)$$

or equivalently,

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & (\delta_{\mathcal{N}}^*(-Z) + \delta_{\mathcal{R}_+^{m_I}}(u)) + \frac{1}{2} \langle W, \mathcal{Q}W \rangle + \delta_{\mathcal{S}_+^n}(S) - \langle b_E, y_E \rangle - \langle b_I, y_I \rangle \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & Z - \mathcal{Q}W + S + \mathcal{A}_E^* y_E + \mathcal{A}_I^* y_I = C, W \in \mathcal{W}, \\ & u - y_I = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (1.8)$$

where  $\mathcal{W}$  is any linear subspace in  $\mathcal{S}^n$  containing  $\text{Range}(\mathcal{Q})$ , the range space of  $\mathcal{Q}$ , e.g.,  $\mathcal{W} = \mathcal{S}^n$  or  $\mathcal{W} = \text{Range}(\mathcal{Q})$ . Note that the objective functions in (1.5) and (1.8) are separable.

Both problem (1.5) and (1.8) are multi-block convex problems with linear equality constraints, which have the following general formulation:

$$\min \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n \phi_i(u_i) \mid \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{H}_i^* u_i = c \right\}, \quad (1.9)$$

where  $\mathcal{U}_i, i = 1, \dots, n$ , is a finite dimensional real Euclidean space equipped with an inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  and its induced norm  $\| \cdot \|$ ,  $\phi_i : \mathcal{U}_i \rightarrow (-\infty, +\infty]$  is a closed proper convex function,  $\mathcal{H}_i : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}_i$  is a linear map and  $c \in \mathcal{X}$  is given. Let  $\sigma \in (0, \infty)$  be a given penalty parameter. The augmented Lagrangian function for problem (1.9) is defined as follows: for any  $(u_1, \dots, u_n) \in \mathcal{U}_1 \times \dots \times \mathcal{U}_n$ ,

$$\mathcal{L}_\sigma(u_1, \dots, u_n; x) := \sum_{i=1}^n \phi_i(u_i) + \langle x, \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{H}_i^* u_i - c \rangle + \frac{\sigma}{2} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{H}_i^* u_i - c \right\|^2.$$



One classical method to solve (1.9) is the augmented Lagrangian method [31, 67, 73]. Given an initial point  $u_i^0 \in \text{dom}(\phi_i)$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , and  $x^0 \in \mathcal{X}$ , the augmented Lagrangian method consists of the following iterations:

$$\begin{aligned} (u_1^{k+1}, \dots, u_n^{k+1}) &= \arg \min \mathcal{L}_\sigma(u_1, \dots, u_n; x^k), \\ x^{k+1} &= x^k + \tau \sigma \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{H}_i^* u_i^{k+1} - c \right), \end{aligned} \quad (1.10)$$

where  $\tau \in (0, 2)$  is the steplength. The augmented Lagrangian method is very attractive since it enjoys the fast linear convergence property when the penalty parameter  $\sigma$  exceeds a certain threshold. However, it is generally difficult and expensive to solve the inner problem (1.10) exactly or to high accuracy due to the coupled quadratic term interacting with several nonsmooth functions in the augmented Lagrangian functions. Regarding the difficulties in solving the inner problem (1.10), one may want to design algorithms that take advantage of the composite structure of (1.10).

When  $n = 2$ , the classic alternating direction method of multipliers introduced by Glowinski and Marroco [25] and Gabay and Mercier [23] can be applied to solve (1.9). In each iteration, it solves  $u_1$  and  $u_2$  alternatively and then update the multiplier  $x$ . From the computational aspect, this is appealing since solving the two variables  $u_1$  and  $u_2$  one by one is easier than solving them simultaneously. The convergence of 2-block ADMM has been studied in [25, 23, 26, 19, 22] and references therein. Observing the efficiency of the classic ADMM for solving certain 2-block separable problems, it is natural to think of extending it to the multi-block setting. Wen et al [84] give a directly extended ADMM solver (called SDPAD in [84]) for solving doubly nonnegative SDP (DNN-SDP) problems. From the numerical aspect, the code is competitive compared with some other convergence guaranteed methods such as 2EBD-HPE in [44] and a convergent alternating direction method with Gaussian back substitution proposed in [28]. However, the convergence of the direct extension of ADMM to multi-block case remains unclear for a long time. Recently, Chen, He, Ye and Yuan [13] show that the direct extension of the ADMM to the case of a 3-block convex optimization problem is not necessarily convergent. This fact

urges researchers to put forward convergent guaranteed yet efficient algorithms for solving the multi-block problem (1.9). Sun, Toh and Yang [72] propose a convergent semi-proximal ADMM for convex programming problems of three separate blocks in the objective function with the third part being linear (ADMM3c). Compared to the directly extended ADMM-type methods, whose convergence is not guaranteed, the ADMM3c only requires an inexpensive extra step per iteration and numerical experiments in [72] show that ADMM3c has superior numerical efficiency over the directly extended ADMM. Li, Sun and Toh [39, 40] and Li [38] propose a symmetric Gauss-Seidel technique and design the symmetric Gauss-Seidel iteration based semi-proximal ADMM (sGS-sPADMM). The sGS-sPADMM is a convergent ADMM-type method and is capable of solving large scale convex quadratic conic programming problems, including quadratic programming problems and quadratic semidefinite programming problems. Chen, Sun and Toh [14] propose an inexact multi-block ADMM-type first order method for solving a class of high-dimensional convex composite conic optimization problems. The cost for solving the involved subproblems can be greatly reduced with some inexactness and the efficiency is shown by numerical experiments on a class of high-dimensional linear and convex quadratic SDP problems with a large number of linear equality and inequality constraints.

Our model also includes the log-determinant programming [82] and the maximal entropy problem [83] as special cases. Wang et al in [82] study the log-determinant optimization problem as follows:

$$\min\{\langle C, X \rangle - \mu \log \det X \mid \mathcal{A}(X) = b, X \succeq 0\},$$

and its dual

$$\max\{b^T y + \mu \log \det Z + n\mu(1 - \log \mu) \mid Z + \mathcal{A}^* y = C, Z \succeq 0\}.$$

Later, the following maximal entropy problem:

$$\min\{\langle C, X \rangle + \mu \langle X \log X - X, I \rangle \mid \mathcal{A}(X) = b, X \succeq 0\},$$

and its dual

$$\max\{\langle b, y \rangle - \mu \langle I, e^Z \rangle \mid Z + \mathcal{A}^*y = C, Z \succeq 0\},$$

is considered by Wang and Xu in [83].

All the aforementioned problems are special cases of our model (1.1), with the nonlinear constraint  $g(x) \in \mathcal{K}$  being vacuous, and as a result, the methods specifically designed for solving these special cases are not applicable when applied to our general nonlinearly constrained convex composite conic programming model (1.1). Therefore, it is natural for us to think one step further, i.e., to design an efficient algorithm for solving model (1.1) which has the nonlinear constraint  $g(X) \in \mathcal{K}$ .

Sun and Zhang [75] consider the following quadratically constrained quadratic semidefinite programming problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & q_0(X) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \langle X, \mathcal{Q}_0 X \rangle + \langle B_0, X \rangle + c_0 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & q_i(X) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \langle X, \mathcal{Q}_i X \rangle + \langle B_i, X \rangle + c_i \leq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, m, \\ & X \in \mathcal{S}_+^n, \end{aligned} \quad (1.11)$$

where  $\mathcal{Q}_i : \mathcal{S}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^n, i = 0, 1, \dots, m$ , are self-adjoint positive semidefinite linear operators,  $B_i \in \mathcal{S}^n$  and  $c_i \in \mathfrak{R}, i = 0, 1, \dots, m$  are given data. This model is again a special case of our model (1.1) with the  $f(\cdot)$  part vanishing,  $\theta(\cdot)$  being the indicator function of  $\mathcal{S}_+^n$ , i.e.,  $\theta(\cdot) = \delta_{\mathcal{S}_+^n}(\cdot)$  and  $g(x) \in \mathcal{K}$  now representing the quadratic constraints. A modified alternating direction method is proposed in [75] for solving problem (1.11). To deal with the quadratic constraints, they introduce the following artificial constraints

$$Y_i = X \quad \text{and} \quad \Omega_i = \{Y_i : q_i(Y_i) \leq 0, \forall i = 1, \dots, m\}.$$

Problem (1.11) then can be equivalently rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & q_0(X) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & X = Y_i, Y_i \in \Omega_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, m, \\ & X \in \mathcal{S}_+^n. \end{aligned} \quad (1.12)$$

The modified alternating direction method of multipliers proposed in [75] is in fact the classical 2-block ADMM applied to the problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & (q_0(X) + \delta_{S_+^n}(X)) + \sum_{i=1}^m \delta_{\Omega_i}(Y_i) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & X = Y_i, \, i = 1, \dots, m. \end{aligned} \tag{1.13}$$

In each iteration of the modified ADMM, in order to compute  $Y_i, i = 1, \dots, m$ , one has to compute the projection onto the corresponding  $\Omega_i, i = 1, \dots, m$ , while this computation is not easy sometimes. Specifically, for a single quadratic constraint  $\frac{1}{2}\langle X, Q_i X \rangle + \langle B_i, X \rangle + c_i \leq 0$ , one may encounter severe numerical difficulty in the high-dimensional setting. Additionally, if the quadratic constraints in (1.11) degenerate to linear inequality constraints, it is then much better to identify these linear constraints.

To the best of our knowledge, the convex composite optimization problems with nonlinear constraints have not been studied in depth. One can not directly apply the aforementioned algorithms to the model (1.1). In this thesis, we aim to fill this gap by providing an efficient method for solving (1.1).

## 1.2 Contributions of the thesis

In this thesis, we focus on solving a class of multi-block convex optimization problems with nonlinear constraints. We are especially interested in the large scale semidefinite programming problems. Observing that most of the work concerning semidefinite programming only deals with the linearly constrained case, in real applications, however, one may need to face some nonlinear constraints, say quadratic constraints. In this thesis, we intend to give an efficient method that can solve the nonlinearly constrained composite convex problem to a moderate accuracy.

To gain some guidance on this topic which has not yet been studied in depth, we first compare some existing first order methods on linear semidefinite programming problems. Through the numerical experiments, we are asserted that applying

the ADMM-type method to the dual problem is a better choice for the linear SDP problems. In order to obtain optimal solutions of large scale SDP with high accuracy efficiently, we also propose an approximate semismooth Newton-CG method to solve the inner problems involved in the augmented Lagrangian algorithm. Our approximate semismooth Newton-CG method only needs part of the second order information while it can still enjoy fast local linear rate convergence.

Based on the experience from the numerical results of methods for solving large scale linear SDP problems, we try to solve the nonlinearly constrained convex composite conic programming model through its dual. A symmetric Gauss-Seidel based inexact ADMM with indefinite proximal terms is put forward for solving the dual of our targeted model. Concerned with the difficulties introduced by the nonlinear constraints, we study the subproblems corresponding to the nonlinear constraints. Despite the fact that these subproblems generally do not have an explicit formulation and the subgradients of the objective in these subproblems can hardly be calculated, we give checkable criteria on the inexactness for solving the subproblems. Global convergence and iteration complexity results of our proposed algorithm are established. Computational experiments on a variety of semidefinite programming problems with quadratic constraints are conducted. The numerical results show that our proposed algorithm is very efficient in solving quadratically constrained semidefinite programming problems and is capable of handling both the linear and nonlinear constraints.

### 1.3 Organization of the thesis

The remaining parts of this thesis is organized as follows. In Chapter 2, some preliminaries that are essential for the subsequent discussions are provided. In particular, we present some important properties of convex functions and the Moreau-Yosida regularization. The inexact block symmetric Gauss-Seidel technique is also introduced. In Chapter 3, we review several first order methods designed for solving

large scale linear SDP problems and compare the numerical performance of these methods. We also propose an approximate semismooth Newton-CG augmented Lagrangian method for solving large scale SDP problems. In Chapter 4, we consider the convex composite conic programming problem with nonlinear constraints. An inexact (indefinite) proximal ADMM with symmetric Gauss-Seidel iteration for solving the dual of our targeted nonlinearly constrained convex composite optimization problem is proposed. We discuss in details on solving the subproblems related to the nonlinear constraints. Convergence of our proposed algorithm is analyzed and global convergence and iteration complexity results are presented. We verify the efficiency of our proposed algorithm through numerical experiments on various quadratically constrained convex QSDP examples. Finally, we conclude this thesis and point out several future research directions in Chapter 5.

# Chapter 2

## Preliminaries

In this chapter, we present some basic concepts and preliminary results that are essential for the subsequent discussions.

### 2.1 Notations

Let  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{Y}$  be finite dimensional real Euclidean spaces each endowed with an inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  and its induced norm  $\| \cdot \|$ . Let  $\mathcal{M} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  be a self-adjoint positive semidefinite linear operator. Then, there exists a unique self-adjoint positive semidefinite linear operator, denoted as  $\mathcal{M}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , such that  $\mathcal{M}^{\frac{1}{2}}\mathcal{M}^{\frac{1}{2}} = \mathcal{M}$ . For any  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ , define  $\langle x, y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} := \langle x, \mathcal{M}y \rangle$  and  $\|x\|_{\mathcal{M}} := \sqrt{\langle x, \mathcal{M}x \rangle} = \|\mathcal{M}^{\frac{1}{2}}x\|$ . Moreover, for any set  $S \subseteq \mathcal{X}$ , define  $\text{dist}(x, S) := \inf_{x' \in S} \|x - x'\|$ . Then, for any  $x, x', y, y' \in \mathcal{X}$ ,

$$\langle x, y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = \frac{1}{2} (\|x\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 + \|y\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 - \|x - y\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2) = \frac{1}{2} (\|x + y\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 - \|x\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 - \|y\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2), \quad (2.1)$$

$$\|x\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 + \|y\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 \geq \frac{1}{2}\|x - y\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2, \quad (2.2)$$

$$\langle x - x', y - y' \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = \frac{1}{2} (\|x + y\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 + \|x' + y'\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 - \|x + y'\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 - \|x' + y\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2). \quad (2.3)$$

Let  $\mathcal{S}^n$  be the space of  $n \times n$  symmetric matrices and  $\mathcal{S}_+^n$  be the cone of positive semidefinite matrices in  $\mathcal{S}^n$ . For a matrix  $X \in \mathcal{S}^n$ , we use the notation  $X \geq 0$  to

denote that  $X$  is a nonnegative matrix, i.e., all entries of  $X$  are nonnegative. We use the notation  $X \succeq 0$  to denote that  $X$  is a symmetric positive semidefinite matrix.

Let  $\mathcal{K}$  be a closed convex cone, we use  $\mathcal{K}^*$  and  $\mathcal{K}^0$  to denote its dual cone and polar cone [63, Section 14], respectively.

## 2.2 Convex functions and the Moreau-Yosida regularization

In this section, we present some basic concepts in convex analysis and introduce the Moreau-Yosida regularization which is critical for our subsequent analysis.

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow (-\infty, +\infty]$  be a closed proper convex function. The (one side) directional derivative of  $f$  at  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  with  $f(x)$  being finite along a direction  $h \in \mathcal{X}$  is defined to be the limit

$$f'(x; h) = \lim_{t \downarrow 0} \frac{f(x + th) - f(x)}{t},$$

if it exists. A vector  $x^* \in \mathcal{X}$  is said to be a subgradient of  $f$  at a point  $x$  if

$$f(z) \geq f(x) + \langle x^*, z - x \rangle, \quad \forall z \in \mathcal{X}.$$

The set of all subgradients of  $f$  at  $x$  is called the subdifferential of  $f$  at  $x$  and is denoted by  $\partial f(x)$ .

For the subgradient, the following results are well known [63].

**Proposition 2.1.** *Let  $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow (-\infty, +\infty]$  be a convex function. Then the following properties hold.*

- (i) *If  $f$  is proper, then  $\text{ri}(\text{dom} f) \neq \emptyset$ , and  $\partial f(x)$  is nonempty for any  $x \in \text{ri}(\text{dom} f)$ . Furthermore,  $\partial f(x)$  is nonempty and bounded if and only if  $x \in \text{int}(\text{dom} f)$ , the interior of  $\text{dom} f$ .*



- (ii) If  $f$  is closed and proper, then the infimum of  $f$  over  $\mathcal{X}$  is attained at  $x$  if and only if  $0 \in \partial f(x)$ .
- (iii) If  $f$  is closed and proper, then the subdifferential operator  $\partial f$  is upper semi-continuous, i.e., for any  $v^k \in \partial f(x^k)$  with  $v^k \rightarrow v$  and  $x^k \rightarrow x$ , it holds that  $v \in \partial f(x)$ .
- (iv) If  $f$  is proper, then the subdifferential operator  $\partial f$  is monotone, i.e., for any  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$  such that  $\partial f(x)$  and  $\partial f(y)$  are nonempty, it holds that  $\langle x - y, u - v \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $u \in \partial f(x)$  and  $v \in \partial f(y)$ .

**Definition 2.2.** Let  $f$  be a closed convex function on  $\mathcal{X}$ . The Fenchel conjugate of  $f$  is defined by

$$f^*(x') = \sup\{\langle x', x \rangle - f(x) : x \in \mathcal{X}\}, \quad x' \in \mathcal{X}.$$

The support function of a convex set  $C \in \mathcal{X}$  is defined by

$$\delta_C^*(x') = \sup\{\langle x', x \rangle : x \in C\}, \quad x' \in \mathcal{X}.$$

For the conjugate of a convex function, the following equivalent conditions [63] are useful .

**Proposition 2.2.** Let  $f$  be a closed proper convex function on  $\mathcal{X}$ . For any  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ , the following conditions on a vector  $x^* \in \mathcal{X}$  are equivalent to each other:

- (i)  $f(x) + f^*(x^*) = \langle x, x^* \rangle$ ;
- (ii)  $x^* \in \partial f(x)$ ;
- (iii)  $x \in \partial f^*(x^*)$ ;
- (iv)  $\langle x, x^* \rangle - f(x) = \max_{z \in \mathcal{X}} \{\langle z, x^* \rangle - f(z)\}$ ;
- (v)  $\langle x, x^* \rangle - f^*(x^*) = \max_{z^* \in \mathcal{X}} \{\langle x, z^* \rangle - f^*(z^*)\}$ .

**Definition 2.3.** We say  $F : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  is directionally differentiable at  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  if

$$F'(x; h) := \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{F(x + th) - F(x)}{t} \text{ exists}$$

for all  $h \in \mathcal{X}$  and  $F$  is directionally differentiable if  $F$  is directionally differentiable at every  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ .

Let  $F : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  be a locally Lipschitz function. By Rademacher's theorem [69, Section 9.J],  $F$  is Fréchet differentiable almost everywhere. Let  $D_F$  denote the set of points in  $\mathcal{X}$  where  $F$  is differentiable. The Bouligand subdifferential of  $F$  at  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  is defined by

$$\partial_B F(x) = \left\{ \lim_{x^k \rightarrow x} F'(x^k), x^k \in D_F \right\},$$

where  $F'(x)$  denotes the Jacobian of  $F$  at  $x \in D_F$ . Then the Clarke's [15] generalized Jacobian of  $F$  at  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  is defined as the convex hull of  $\partial_B F(x)$ , i.e.,

$$\partial F(x) = \text{conv}\{\partial_B F(x)\}.$$

By Lemma 2.2 in [60], we know that if  $F$  is directionally differentiable in a neighborhood of  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ , then for any  $h \in \mathcal{X}$ , there exists  $\mathcal{V} \in \partial F(x)$  such that  $F'(x; h) = \mathcal{V}h$ . The following concept of semismoothness was first introduced by Mifflin [43] for functionals and then extended by Qi and Sun [60] to vector-valued functions.

**Definition 2.4.**  $F$  is said to be semismooth at  $x$  if

1.  $F$  is directionally differentiable at  $x$ ; and
2. for any  $h \in \mathcal{X}$  and  $V \in \partial F(x + h)$  with  $h \rightarrow 0$ ,

$$F(x + h) - F(x) - Vh = o(\|h\|).$$

Furthermore,  $F$  is said to be strongly semismooth at  $x$  if  $F$  is semismooth at  $x$  and for any  $h \in \mathcal{X}$  and  $V \in \partial F(x + h)$  with  $h \rightarrow 0$ ,

$$F(x + h) - F(x) - Vh = O(\|h\|^2).$$

Next, we introduce the Moreau-Yosida regularization, which is a useful tool in our subsequent discussions.

**Definition 2.5.** Let  $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow (-\infty, +\infty]$  be a closed proper convex function and  $\mathcal{M} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  be a self-adjoint positive definite linear operator. The Moreau-Yosida regularization  $\varphi_{\mathcal{M}}^f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  of  $f$  associated with  $\mathcal{M}$ , is defined as

$$\varphi_{\mathcal{M}}^f(x) := \min_{z \in \mathcal{X}} \left\{ f(z) + \frac{1}{2} \|z - x\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 \right\}, \quad x \in \mathcal{X}. \quad (2.4)$$

From [35], we have the following proposition.

**Proposition 2.3.** *For any  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ , problem (2.4) has a unique optimal solution.*

**Definition 2.6.** The proximal mapping of  $f$  associated with  $\mathcal{M}$ ,  $\text{Prox}_{\mathcal{M}}^f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ , is defined by

$$\text{Prox}_{\mathcal{M}}^f(x) := \arg \min_{z \in \mathcal{X}} \left\{ f(z) + \frac{1}{2} \|z - x\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 \right\}, \quad x \in \mathcal{X}.$$

$\text{Prox}_{\mathcal{M}}^f(x)$  is called the proximal point of  $x$  associated with  $f$  and  $\mathcal{M}$ .

The proximal mapping  $\text{Prox}_{\mathcal{M}}^f(\cdot)$  has the following properties [35].

**Proposition 2.4.** *Let  $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow (-\infty, +\infty]$  be a closed proper convex function and  $\mathcal{M}$  be a self-adjoint positive definite linear operator. Let  $\varphi_{\mathcal{M}}^f(x)$  be the Moreau-Yosida regularization of  $f$  and  $\text{Prox}_{\mathcal{M}}^f$  be the associated proximal mapping. Then the following properties hold.*

- (i)  $\arg \min_{x \in \mathcal{X}} f(x) = \arg \min_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \varphi_{\mathcal{M}}^f(x)$ .
- (ii) Let  $I : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  be the identity map. Both  $\text{Prox}_{\mathcal{M}}^f$  and  $Q_{\mathcal{M}}^f := I - \text{Prox}_{\mathcal{M}}^f$  are firmly non-expansive, i.e.,  $\forall x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\text{Prox}_{\mathcal{M}}^f(x) - \text{Prox}_{\mathcal{M}}^f(y)\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 &\leq \langle \text{Prox}_{\mathcal{M}}^f(x) - \text{Prox}_{\mathcal{M}}^f(y), x - y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}}, \\ \|Q_{\mathcal{M}}^f(x) - Q_{\mathcal{M}}^f(y)\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 &\leq \langle Q_{\mathcal{M}}^f(x) - Q_{\mathcal{M}}^f(y), x - y \rangle_{\mathcal{M}}. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, both  $\text{Prox}_{\mathcal{M}}^f$  and  $Q_{\mathcal{M}}^f$  are globally Lipschitz continuous.

(iii)  $\varphi_{\mathcal{M}}^f$  is continuously differentiable. Furthermore, it holds that

$$\nabla \varphi_{\mathcal{M}}^f(x) = \mathcal{M}(x - \text{Prox}_{\mathcal{M}}^f(x)) \in \partial f(\text{Prox}_{\mathcal{M}}^f(x)).$$

**Theorem 2.5.** (Moreau Decomposition [63, Theorem 31.5]). *Let  $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow (-\infty, +\infty]$  be a closed proper convex function and  $f^*$  be its conjugate. Let  $\mathcal{M} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  be a self-adjoint positive definite linear operator. Then any  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  has the decomposition*

$$x = \text{Prox}_{\mathcal{M}}^f(x) + \mathcal{M}^{-1} \text{Prox}_{\mathcal{M}^{-1}}^{f^*}(\mathcal{M}x).$$

By Theorem 2.5 and the definition of the Fenchel conjugate, we have the following proposition which provides some useful properties of the Moreau-Yosida regularization of  $f^*(\cdot)$ .

**Proposition 2.6.** *Let  $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow (-\infty, +\infty]$  be a closed proper convex function,  $f^*$  be the Fenchel conjugate of  $f$  and  $\mathcal{M} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  be a self-adjoint positive definite linear operator. Define*

$$\psi(x) := \min_{s \in \mathcal{X}} \left\{ f^*(-s) + \frac{1}{2} \|s - x\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 \right\}, \quad x \in \mathcal{X}.$$

*Then it holds that*

- (i)  $s^+ := \arg \min_{s \in \mathcal{X}} \left\{ f^*(-s) + \frac{1}{2} \|s - x\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 \right\} = x + \mathcal{M}^{-1} \text{Prox}_{\mathcal{M}^{-1}}^f(-\mathcal{M}x).$
- (ii)  $\nabla \psi(x) = \mathcal{M}(x - s^+) = -\text{Prox}_{\mathcal{M}^{-1}}^f(-\mathcal{M}x).$

*Proof.* (i) The equation can be obtained from Theorem 2.5 directly.

(ii) From Proposition 2.4 (iii) and Theorem 2.5, we can get the equation.

□

## 2.3 An inexact block symmetric Gauss-Seidel iteration

In this section, we introduce the inexact block symmetric Gauss-Seidel (sGS) technique proposed by Li, Sun and Toh [40]. The sGS is very useful in designing efficient

and convergent algorithms for multi-block convex optimization problems.

Let  $s \geq 2$  be a given integer and  $\mathcal{X} := \mathcal{X}_1 \times \mathcal{X}_2 \times \cdots \times \mathcal{X}_s$ , where  $\mathcal{X}_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, s$  are finite dimensional real Euclidean spaces. For any  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ ,  $x$  can be written as  $x \equiv (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_s)$  with  $x_i \in \mathcal{X}_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, s$ . Let  $\mathcal{Q} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  be a given self-adjoint positive semidefinite linear operator. Consider the following block decomposition

$$\mathcal{Q}x \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{Q}_{11} & \mathcal{Q}_{12} & \cdots & \mathcal{Q}_{1s} \\ \mathcal{Q}_{12}^* & \mathcal{Q}_{22} & \cdots & \mathcal{Q}_{2s} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathcal{Q}_{1s}^* & \mathcal{Q}_{2s}^* & \cdots & \mathcal{Q}_{ss} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_s \end{pmatrix},$$

and denote  $\mathcal{U} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  as

$$\mathcal{U}x \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathcal{Q}_{12} & \cdots & \mathcal{Q}_{1s} \\ & \ddots & & \vdots \\ & & \ddots & \mathcal{Q}_{s-1,s} \\ & & & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_s \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $\mathcal{Q}_{ii} : \mathcal{X}_i \rightarrow \mathcal{X}_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, s$  are self-adjoint positive semidefinite linear operators,  $\mathcal{Q}_{ij} : \mathcal{X}_j \rightarrow \mathcal{X}_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, s-1$ ,  $j > i$  are linear maps. Clearly,  $\mathcal{Q} = \mathcal{U}^* + \mathcal{D} + \mathcal{U}$  where  $\mathcal{D}x = (\mathcal{Q}_{11}x_1, \dots, \mathcal{Q}_{ss}x_s)$ . Throughout this section, we assume that  $\mathcal{Q}_{ii}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, s$  are positive definite.

Let  $h : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$  be a convex quadratic function defined by

$$h(x) := \frac{1}{2} \langle x, \mathcal{Q}x \rangle - \langle r, x \rangle, \quad x \in \mathcal{X},$$

where  $r \equiv (r_1, r_2, \dots, r_s) \in \mathcal{X}$  is given. Let  $p : \mathcal{X}_1 \rightarrow (-\infty, +\infty]$  be a given lower semi-continuous proper convex function. Define

$$x_{\leq i} := (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_i), \quad x_{\geq i} := (x_i, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_s), \quad i = 0, \dots, s+1,$$

with the convention that  $x_{\leq 0} = x_{\geq s+1} = \emptyset$ .

Suppose that  $\hat{\delta}_i, \delta_i^+ \in \mathcal{X}_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, s$  are given error vectors, with  $\hat{\delta}_1 = 0$ . Denote

$\hat{\delta} \equiv (\hat{\delta}_1, \dots, \hat{\delta}_s)$  and  $\delta^+ \equiv (\delta_1^+, \dots, \delta_s^+)$ . Define the following operator and vector:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{T} &:= \mathcal{U}\mathcal{D}^{-1}\mathcal{U}^*, \\ \Delta(\hat{\delta}, \delta^+) &:= \delta^+ + \mathcal{U}\mathcal{D}^{-1}(\delta^+ - \hat{\delta}).\end{aligned}\tag{2.5}$$

Let  $\bar{x} \in \mathcal{X}$  be given. Define

$$x^+ := \arg \min_x \left\{ p(x_1) + h(x) + \frac{1}{2} \|x - \bar{x}\|_{\mathcal{T}}^2 - \langle \Delta(\hat{\delta}, \delta^+), x \rangle \right\}.\tag{2.6}$$

In order to make their Schur complement based alternating direction method of multipliers [39] more explicit, Li, Sun and Toh [40] introduce the following proposition.

**Proposition 2.7.** *Assume that the self-adjoint linear operators  $\mathcal{Q}_{ii}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, s$  are positive definite. Let  $\bar{x} \in \mathcal{X}$  be given. For  $i = s, \dots, 2$ , define  $\hat{x}_i \in \mathcal{X}_i$  by*

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{x}_i &:= \arg \min_{x_i} \{ p(\bar{x}_1) + h(\bar{x}_{\leq i-1}, x_i, \hat{x}_{\geq i+1}) - \langle \hat{\delta}_i, x_i \rangle \} \\ &= \mathcal{Q}_{ii}^{-1} \left( r_i + \hat{\delta}_i - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \mathcal{Q}_{ji}^* \bar{x}_j - \sum_{j=i+1}^s \mathcal{Q}_{ij} \hat{x}_j \right).\end{aligned}\tag{2.7}$$

Then the optimal solution  $x^+$  defined by (2.6) can be obtained exactly via

$$\begin{cases} x_1^+ &= \arg \min_{x_1} \{ p(x_1) + h(x_1, \hat{x}_{\geq 2}) - \langle \delta_1^+, x_1 \rangle \}, \\ x_i^+ &= \arg \min_{x_i} \{ p(x_1^+) + h(x_{\leq i-1}^+, x_i, \hat{x}_{\geq i+1}) - \langle \delta_i^+, x_i \rangle \} \\ &= \mathcal{Q}_{ii}^{-1} \left( r_i + \delta_i^+ - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \mathcal{Q}_{ji}^* x_j^+ - \sum_{j=i+1}^s \mathcal{Q}_{ij} \hat{x}_j \right), \quad i = 2, \dots, s. \end{cases}\tag{2.8}$$

Furthermore,  $\mathcal{H} := \mathcal{Q} + \mathcal{T} = (\mathcal{D} + \mathcal{U})\mathcal{D}^{-1}(\mathcal{D} + \mathcal{U}^*)$  is positive definite.

The following proposition will be useful in calculating the bound of error.

**Proposition 2.8.** *Suppose that  $\mathcal{H} := \mathcal{Q} + \mathcal{T} = (\mathcal{D} + \mathcal{U})\mathcal{D}^{-1}(\mathcal{D} + \mathcal{U}^*)$  is positive definite. Let  $\xi = \|\mathcal{H}^{-1/2}\Delta(\hat{\delta}, \delta^+)\|$ . Then,*

$$\xi = \|\mathcal{D}^{-1/2}(\delta^+ - \hat{\delta}) + \mathcal{D}^{1/2}(\mathcal{D} + \mathcal{U})^{-1}\hat{\delta}\| \leq \|\mathcal{D}^{-1/2}(\delta^+ - \hat{\delta})\| + \|\mathcal{H}^{-1/2}\hat{\delta}\|.$$

**Remark 2.9.** Though put in the objective of minimization problems in (2.7) and (2.8), the error vectors  $\hat{\delta}_i$  and  $\delta_i^+$  are not given in prior but generated once the approximate solutions are computed. In fact,  $\hat{x}_i$  and  $x_i^+$  can be interpreted as approximate solutions to the minimization problems (2.7) and (2.8) without the terms involving  $\hat{\delta}_i$  and  $\delta_i^+$ .

# Chapter 3

## A numerical study on algorithms for large scale linear SDP

Let  $\mathcal{S}^n$  denote the space of  $n \times n$  symmetric matrices and  $\mathcal{S}_+^n$  denote the cone of positive semidefinite matrices in  $\mathcal{S}^n$ . The standard linear SDP problem takes the following form:

$$\min \{ \langle C, X \rangle \mid \mathcal{A}X = b, X \in \mathcal{S}_+^n \}, \quad (3.1)$$

where  $C \in \mathcal{S}^n$  and  $b \in \Re^m$  are given data,  $\mathcal{A} : \mathcal{S}^n \rightarrow \Re^m$  is a given linear map,  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  denotes the trace inner product of two matrices, i.e.,  $\langle C, X \rangle = \text{trace}(C^T X)$ . Let  $\mathcal{A}^*$  denote the adjoint of  $\mathcal{A}$ . The dual problem associated with the standard linear SDP (3.1) can be written as

$$\max \{ \langle b, y \rangle \mid \mathcal{A}^*y + S = C, S \in \mathcal{S}_+^n \}. \quad (3.2)$$

The standard linear SDP problem (3.1) and its dual (3.2) have been studied by groups of researchers [10, 11, 30, 61, 90] and there are a variety of algorithms designed for solving them.

Notice that problem (3.1) is a special case of our model (1.1). Since our nonlinearly constrained convex composite conic programming model is rather complex, as the first step of our research, we want to look into this special case to see whether we can get any guidance from this fruitful field.

In this chapter, we first review some of the first order methods for solving standard linear SDP problems and then conduct numerical experiments to evaluate the performance of these methods. We briefly discuss several methods in this chapter, including the spectral bundle method [30, 29], the low-rank factorization method [10, 11], the semi-proximal alternating direction method of multipliers [23, 25, 21, 72] and the first order method proposed by Renegar in [61]. We choose to study these methods not only because some of them have been proved to be very efficient for large scale semidefinite programming problems, more importantly, each of the four methods is based on a different reformulation of the standard linear SDP (3.1). This experience will be helpful in designing an efficient algorithm for solving our targeted model.

Besides the discussions on the first order methods, we propose an approximate semismooth Newton-CG augmented Lagrangian method for solving large scale linear SDP problems. We focus on solving the inner problems involved in the augmented Lagrangian method for the dual problem (3.2). The convergence of the approximate semismooth Newton-CG method is analyzed and linear rate convergence is established. We also conduct numerical experiments to verify the efficiency of the proposed algorithm on large scale SDP problems.

## 3.1 A review on first order methods for large scale linear SDP

In this section, we review some first order methods for solving large scale linear SDP problems.

### 3.1.1 A spectral bundle method for SDP

The spectral bundle method is proposed by Helmberg and Rendl [30] for a special class of SDP problems, that is, the trace of the primal variable matrix  $X$  is fixed.



First, the linear SDP problem (3.2) is reformulated to an equivalent eigenvalue optimization problem (EOP). Then, the proximal bundle method for nonsmooth convex programming is used to solve the resulted EOP. The convergence of the algorithm follows from the convergence of the proximal bundle method by Kiwiel [34] directly.

In [30], the following SDP problem is considered:

$$\max \{ \langle C, X \rangle \mid \mathcal{A}X = b, \text{trace}(X) = a, X \in \mathcal{S}_+^n \}, \quad (3.3)$$

where  $a \in \Re$  is some positive constant. Its dual has the format

$$\min \{ a\lambda + \langle b, y \rangle \mid Z = \mathcal{A}^*y + \lambda I - C, Z \in \mathcal{S}_+^n \}. \quad (3.4)$$

Since  $a > 0$ , any feasible  $X$  satisfies  $X \neq 0$ . From the fact that for any optimal solution  $X^*$  of (3.3) and optimal solution  $(y^*, Z^*)$  of (3.4),  $\langle X^*, Z^* \rangle = 0$  and  $Z^* \succeq 0$ , we have that any optimal  $Z^*$  is singular, therefore  $\lambda_{\max}(-Z) = 0$ . Thus  $\lambda = \lambda_{\max}(C - \mathcal{A}^*y)$ . In this way the dual problem (3.4) can be reformulated as the following eigenvalue optimization problem:

$$\min_y \{ g(y) := a\lambda_{\max}(C - \mathcal{A}^*y) + \langle b, y \rangle \mid y \in \Re^m \}, \quad (3.5)$$

which is an unconstrained convex, nonsmooth optimization problem. Standard nonsmooth methods for convex programming can be used to solve this problem. In [30], the proximal bundle method is applied to problem (3.5). Without loss of generality, in the following discussions, we assume  $a = 1$ .

Define the set  $\mathcal{W}$  to be  $\mathcal{W} \equiv \{W \in \mathcal{S}^n \mid W \succeq 0, \text{trace}(W) = 1\}$ , then  $\mathcal{W}$  is a closed convex set and  $\lambda_{\max}(\cdot) = \max \{ \langle W, \cdot \rangle \mid W \in \mathcal{W} \}$ . Thus, we have

$$g(y) = \max_{W \in \mathcal{W}} \{ L(W, y) := \langle C - \mathcal{A}^*y, W \rangle + \langle b, y \rangle \}, \quad (3.6)$$

and the eigenvalue optimization problem (3.5) can be equivalently written as

$$\min_{y \in \Re^m} \max_{W \in \mathcal{W}} \{ L(W, y) := \langle C - \mathcal{A}^*y, W \rangle + \langle b, y \rangle \}. \quad (3.7)$$

It can be observed that the lower approximation of  $g$  can be obtained by restricting  $W$  to be contained in some subset of  $\mathcal{W}$ . In their paper [30], Helmberg and Rendl use the following subset in the spectral bundle method

$$\widehat{\mathcal{W}} = \{\alpha\overline{W} + PV P^T \mid \alpha + \text{trace}(V) = 1, \alpha \geq 0, V \succeq 0\}, \quad (3.8)$$

where  $P \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times r}$  is an  $n \times r$  matrix with orthonormal columns, and  $\overline{W} \in \mathcal{S}^n$  is a positive semidefinite matrix with trace 1. Clearly, the set  $\widehat{\mathcal{W}}$  is a closed convex subset of  $\mathcal{W}$ . By using this kind of subset, a non-polyhedral semidefinite cutting surface model is constructed. The problem then becomes solving a series of unconstrained convex problem

$$\min \left\{ \hat{g}(y) := \max_{W \in \widehat{\mathcal{W}}} L(W, y) \mid y \in \mathbb{R}^m \right\}. \quad (3.9)$$

In [30], proximal point idea is used in minimizing  $\hat{g}$ . Consequently, in each iteration, one needs to solve the following subproblem:

$$\max \left\{ \langle C, W \rangle + \langle b - \mathcal{A}W, y \rangle - \frac{\sigma}{2} \|\mathcal{A}W - b\|^2 \mid W \in \widehat{\mathcal{W}} \right\}, \quad (3.10)$$

By the definition of  $\mathcal{W}$ , problem (3.10) can be viewed as a linearly constrained quadratic semidefinite programming problem, with the variable being a  $r \times r$  matrix and a scalar instead of an  $n \times n$  matrix. For given matrices  $\overline{W}$  and  $P$ , define the linear operator  $\mathcal{B} : \mathcal{S}^r \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^n$  as

$$\mathcal{B}([V; \alpha]) = \alpha\overline{W} + PV P^T,$$

then problem (3.10) can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \frac{1}{2} \langle \tilde{V}, Q\tilde{V} \rangle + \langle \tilde{C}, \tilde{V} \rangle \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \langle \tilde{V}, \tilde{I} \rangle = 1, \quad \tilde{V} \succeq 0, \end{aligned} \quad (3.11)$$

where  $Q(\cdot) := \sigma \mathcal{B}^* \mathcal{A}^* \mathcal{A} \mathcal{B}(\cdot)$ ,  $\tilde{C} = \mathcal{B}^*(\mathcal{A}^* y - \sigma \mathcal{A}^* b - C)$ ,  $\tilde{I} \in \mathcal{S}^r \times \mathbb{R}$  is the identity mapping, and the variable  $\tilde{V} := [V; \alpha]$ . This quadratic semidefinite programming problem has much smaller size (the variable  $\tilde{V} \in \mathcal{S}^r \times \mathbb{R}$ ) than the original SDP problem (with variable  $X \in \mathcal{S}^n$ ) and it has only one linear equation constraint.

The computational cost of the spectral bundle method mainly depends on two parts, one is computing the largest eigenvalues of the symmetric  $n \times n$  matrix  $(C - \mathcal{A}^*y)$  and the other one is solving the subproblem (3.11). In [30], the subproblem (3.11) is solved by interior point method, while if a larger bundle size is desired, one may consider applying the accelerated proximal gradient (APG) method [4] to the subproblem (3.11) instead.

The spectral bundle method always gives feasible dual solution. Meanwhile, the optimal solution  $W^*$  of the subproblem (3.10) can be interpreted as an approximate primal solution. In fact, the proximal spectral bundle method proposed by Helmberg and Rendl [30] can be interpreted as an augmented Lagrangian method applied to the primal problem (3.3), with restricting the primal variable to be in some subspace of set  $\mathcal{W}$  and letting the subspace be successively corrected and improved till the optimal subspace is identified.

The spectral bundle method in [30] is then extended by Helmberg and Kiwiel [29] to handle linear SDP problems with both equality and inequality constraints.

### 3.1.2 The low-rank factorization method

From the fact that a matrix  $X \in \Re^{n \times n}$  is symmetric positive semidefinite if and only if  $X = VV^T$  for some matrix  $V \in \Re^{n \times n}$ , one can reformulate the standard linear SDP problem (3.1) as the following nonlinear programming problem:

$$\min \{ \langle C, VV^T \rangle \mid \mathcal{A}(VV^T) = b, V \in \Re^{n \times n} \}. \quad (3.12)$$

Various algorithms [33, 9, 12] are proposed to solve this reformulated problem. Instead of using the  $n \times n$  matrix  $V$ , Burer and Monteiro [10] present a variant but similar reformulation. They factorize the symmetric positive semidefinite variable  $X$  by  $X = RR^T$  where  $R \in \Re^{n \times r}$  with some positive integer  $r \leq n$ , and yield the nonconvex problem

$$\min \{ \langle C, RR^T \rangle \mid \mathcal{A}(RR^T) = b, R \in \Re^{n \times r} \}. \quad (3.13)$$

The advantage of this reformulation is that if  $r$  is much smaller than  $n$ , the formulation (3.13) will have much fewer variables than (3.12). Hence, less space for storage and faster speed of the method can be expected. Note that  $\{RR^T \mid R \in \Re^{n \times r}\}$  is only a subset of  $\mathcal{S}_+^n$ . One question is that whether an optimal solution  $R^*$  of (3.13) yields an optimal solution  $R^*(R^*)^T$  of the linear SDP (3.1). Fortunately, this can be guaranteed by the following result due to Barvinok [3] and Pataki [55].

**Proposition 3.1.** ([3, Theorem 1.3], [55, Theorem 2.1]). *If the feasible set of the linear SDP problem (3.1) contains an extreme point, then there exists an optimal solution  $X^*$  of (3.1) with rank  $r$  satisfying the inequality  $r(r+1) \leq 2m$ .*

By Proposition 3.1, if  $r$  is chosen to be some integer satisfying  $r \geq \lfloor \sqrt{2m} \rfloor$ , an optimal solution  $R^*$  of (3.13) will give an optimal solution  $R^*(R^*)^T$  of (3.1). Burer and Monteiro [10] then apply the augmented Lagrangian method to solve problem (3.13). Let  $\sigma > 0$  be a given penalty parameter. For a fixed  $r$ , the augmented Lagrangian function of problem (3.13) is defined as follows: for any  $R \in \Re^{n \times r}$ ,  $y \in \Re^m$ ,

$$L_\sigma(R; y) = \langle C, RR^T \rangle + \langle y, b - \mathcal{A}(RR^T) \rangle + \frac{\sigma}{2} \|\mathcal{A}(RR^T) - b\|^2,$$

In [10], the inner problem involved in the augmented Lagrangian method is solved by the limited memory BFGS method. For a fixed  $r$ , this low-rank factorization with augmented Lagrangian method can also be viewed as the augmented Lagrangian method applied to the primal SDP problem (3.1) with restricting the primal variable  $X$  to be in the subset  $\mathcal{S}_+^n(r) := \{X \in \mathcal{S}_+^n : \text{rank}(X) \leq r\}$  of  $\mathcal{S}_+^n$ . The subset  $\mathcal{S}_+^n(r)$  is nonconvex for  $r \in [1, n-1]$ . Since (3.13) is nonconvex, it is unclear whether every local minimum of (3.13) is a global minimum. Burer and Monteiro [11] prove the optimal convergence of a slight variant of the algorithm. The modification is by adding a small term  $\mu \det(R^T R)$  to the augmented Lagrangian function, where parameter  $\mu > 0$  and goes to zero progressively. In practical computing, Burer and Monteiro [10, 11] still use the algorithm in [10]. Despite the fact that the nonlinear

problem (3.13) is nonconvex, numerical experiments in [10] show that the algorithm always converges to the optimal value of (3.1).

The low-rank factorization method can be extended to deal with linear SDP problems with inequality constraints by introducing a slack variable  $v \in \Re^{m_I}$  and rewriting the inequality constraints  $\mathcal{A}_I X \geq b_I$  as

$$\mathcal{A}_I X - v = b_I, \quad v \geq 0. \quad (3.14)$$

However, it's not clear whether this is the best way to incorporate the inequality constraints into the low rank algorithm. The low-rank factorization method has been implemented by Burer et al., in the code SDPLR which is available at the website <http://dollar.biz.uiowa.edu/~sburer/files/SDPLR-1.03-beta.zip>.

### 3.1.3 Renegar's transformation

Recently, two first order methods for large scale linear semidefinite programming are proposed by Renegar [61]. The methods are based on a transformation of the linear SDP problem (3.1). Throughout this subsection, we assume that a strictly feasible matrix  $E$  is known, that is, for problem (3.1), a matrix  $E$  satisfying  $\mathcal{A}E = b, E \succ 0$  is known. Without loss of generality, one can assume  $E = I$ , where  $I$  denotes the identity matrix. Based on the following lemma, Renegar [61] reformulates the SDP problem into an eigenvalue optimization problem (EOP).

**Lemma 3.2.** ([61, Lemma 2.1]). *Assume SDP (3.1) has bounded optimal value. The identity matrix  $I$  is strictly feasible for the SDP (3.1). If  $X \in \mathcal{S}^n$  satisfies  $\mathcal{A}X = b$  and  $\langle C, X \rangle < \langle C, I \rangle$ , then  $\lambda_{\min}(X) < 1$ .*

Let  $Z(X)$  be defined as:

$$Z(X) := I + \frac{1}{1 - \lambda_{\min}(X)}(X - I). \quad (3.15)$$

The SDP problem (3.1) is equivalent to the following eigenvalue optimization problem [61, Theorem 2.2]

$$\max \{ \lambda_{\min}(X) \mid \mathcal{A}(X) = b, \langle C, X \rangle = val \}, \quad (3.16)$$

where  $val$  can be any value satisfying  $val < \langle C, I \rangle$ . Denote the optimal objective value of (3.1) as  $val^*$ . If  $X^*$  solves (3.16), then  $Z(X^*)$  is optimal for (3.1). Conversely, if  $Z^*$  is optimal for (3.1), then  $X^* := I + \frac{\langle C, I \rangle - val}{\langle C, I \rangle - val^*} (Z^* - I)$  is optimal for (3.16), and  $Z^* = Z(X^*)$ .

A NonSmoothed Scheme is proposed for solving the EOP (3.16), and the bound  $O(1/\epsilon^2)$  on the number of iterations is achieved. In paper [61], a projected subgradient method [47] is used for solving (3.16). The author also proposes a Smoothed Scheme in this paper, specifically, applying the smoothing technique [48, 49], one can solve a smoothed version of problem (3.16) instead.

$$\max \{f_\mu(X) \mid \mathcal{A}(X) = b, \quad \langle C, X \rangle = val\}, \quad (3.17)$$

where  $f_\mu(X) := -\mu \ln \sum_j e^{-\lambda_j(X)/\mu}$ ,  $\mu > 0$  is user-chosen and  $\lambda_1(X), \dots, \lambda_n(X)$  are the eigenvalues of  $X$ . Nesterov's first first-order method [47] is used in the Smoothed Scheme and the bound  $O(1/\epsilon)$  on the number of iterations is achieved. From the theoretical aspect, the transformation is elegant, however, as one may notice, in practice, the assumption that a strictly feasible matrix  $E$  is known may be quite restrictive. In fact, to find a strictly feasible solution itself can be a hard problem.

### 3.1.4 The semi-proximal alternating direction method of multipliers

In this subsection, we briefly discuss the semi-proximal ADMM proposed in [21], which is a useful extension of the classic ADMM by Glowinski and Marroco [25] and Gabay and Mercier [23]. Consider the convex optimization problem with the following separable structure

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & F(y) + G(z) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \mathcal{A}^*y + \mathcal{B}^*z = c, \end{aligned} \quad (3.18)$$

where  $F : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow (-\infty, +\infty]$  and  $G : \mathcal{Z} \rightarrow (-\infty, +\infty]$  are closed proper convex functions,  $\mathcal{A} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  and  $\mathcal{B} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}$  are two linear operators, and  $\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{Z}$  are

finite dimensional real Euclidean spaces equipped with inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  and its induce norm  $\|\cdot\|$ . Let  $\mathcal{F}^*, \mathcal{G}^*$  denote the adjoints of  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$ , respectively. The dual of (3.18) takes the form of

$$\min\{\langle c, x \rangle + F^*(-\mathcal{A}x) + G^*(-\mathcal{B}x)\}. \quad (3.19)$$

Let  $\partial F$  and  $\partial G$  be the subdifferential mappings of  $F$  and  $G$  respectively. Note that  $\partial F$  and  $\partial G$  are maximal monotone [64], there exist two self-adjoint and positive semidefinite operators  $\Sigma_F$  and  $\Sigma_G$  such that for all  $y, y' \in \text{dom}(F)$ ,  $\xi \in \partial F(y)$  and  $\xi' \in \partial F(y')$ ,

$$\langle \xi - \xi', y - y' \rangle \geq \|y - y'\|_{\Sigma_F}^2 \quad (3.20)$$

and for all  $z, z' \in \text{dom}(G)$ ,  $\zeta \in \partial G(z)$  and  $\zeta' \in \partial G(z')$ ,

$$\langle \zeta - \zeta', z - z' \rangle \geq \|z - z'\|_{\Sigma_G}^2. \quad (3.21)$$

The augmented Lagrangian function associated with (3.18) is given by

$$\mathcal{L}_\sigma(y, z; x) = F(y) + G(z) + \langle x, \mathcal{A}^*y + \mathcal{B}^*z - c \rangle + \frac{\sigma}{2} \|\mathcal{A}^*y + \mathcal{B}^*z - c\|^2,$$

where  $(x, y, z) \in \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \times \mathcal{Z}$ . The semi-proximal ADMM for solving (3.18) takes the following form:

**Algorithm sPADMM: A generic 2-block semi-proximal ADMM for solving (3.18).**

Given parameters  $\sigma > 0$  and  $\tau \in (0, +\infty)$ . Let  $\mathcal{S}$  and  $\mathcal{T}$  be two self-adjoint positive semidefinite, not necessarily positive definite, linear operators on  $\mathcal{Y}$  and  $\mathcal{Z}$ , respectively. Input  $(y^0, z^0, x^0) \in \text{dom}(F) \times \text{dom}(G) \times \mathcal{X}$ . For  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ , perform the  $k$ th iteration as follows:

**Step 1.** Compute

$$y^{k+1} = \arg \min_y \mathcal{L}_\sigma(y, z^k; x^k) + \frac{1}{2} \|y - y^k\|_{\mathcal{S}}^2. \quad (3.22)$$

**Step 2.** Compute

$$z^{k+1} = \arg \min_z \mathcal{L}_\sigma(y^{k+1}, z; x^k) + \frac{1}{2} \|z - z^k\|_{\mathcal{T}}^2. \quad (3.23)$$

**Step 3.** Compute

$$x^{k+1} = x^k + \tau \sigma (\mathcal{A}^* y^{k+1} + \mathcal{B}^* z^{k+1} - c). \quad (3.24)$$

In the above 2-block semi-proximal ADMM algorithm, the added proximal terms can help to guarantee the existence of solutions for the subproblems (3.22) and (3.23). The proximal terms, together with  $\Sigma_F, \Sigma_G$  and  $\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}^*, \mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}^*$ , play an important role in ensuring the boundedness of the two generated sequences  $\{y^k\}$  and  $\{z^k\}$ . Moreover, as demonstrated in [39], the two proximal terms  $\mathcal{S}$  and  $\mathcal{T}$  are vital in designing the convergent multi-block ADMM-type algorithm. The following constraint qualification is needed for the 2-block semi-proximal ADMM:

**Assumption 1.** *There exists  $(\hat{y}, \hat{z}) \in \text{ri}(\text{dom } F \times \text{dom } G)$  such that  $\mathcal{A}^* \hat{y} + \mathcal{B}^* \hat{z} = c$ .*

Under Assumption 1,  $(\bar{y}, \bar{z})$  is a solution to (3.18) if and only if there exists a Lagrangian multiplier  $\bar{x} \in \mathcal{X}$  such that  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$  satisfies the following Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) system [63]:

$$\mathcal{A}\bar{x} \in -\partial F(\bar{y}), \quad \mathcal{B}\bar{x} \in -\partial G(\bar{z}), \quad \mathcal{A}^* \bar{y} + \mathcal{B}^* \bar{z} - c = 0. \quad (3.25)$$



**Theorem 3.3.** ([39, Theorem 2.1]). *Let  $\Sigma_F$  and  $\Sigma_G$  be the two self-adjoint positive semidefinite operators defined in (3.20) and (3.21), respectively. Suppose that the solution set of problem (3.18) is nonempty and that Assumption 1 holds. Assume that  $\mathcal{S}$  and  $\mathcal{T}$  are chosen such that the sequence  $\{(y^k, z^k, x^k)\}$  generated by Algorithm sPADMM is well defined. Then, under the condition either (a)  $\tau \in (0, (1 + \sqrt{5})/2)$  or (b)  $\tau \geq (1 + \sqrt{5})/2$  but  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (\|\mathcal{B}^*(z^{k+1} - z^k)\|^2 + \tau^{-1} \|\mathcal{A}^*y^{k+1} + \mathcal{B}^*z^{k+1} - c\|^2) < \infty$ , the following results hold:*

- (i) *If  $(y^\infty, z^\infty, x^\infty)$  is an accumulation point of  $\{(y^k, z^k, x^k)\}$ , then  $(y^\infty, z^\infty)$  solves (3.18) and  $x^\infty$  solves (3.19), respectively.*
- (ii) *If both  $\Sigma_F + \mathcal{S} + \sigma\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}^*$  and  $\Sigma_G + \mathcal{T} + \sigma\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}^*$  are positive definite, then the sequence  $\{(y^k, z^k, x^k)\}$ , which is automatically well defined, converges to a unique limit, say,  $(y^\infty, z^\infty, x^\infty)$  with  $(y^\infty, z^\infty)$  solving (3.18) and  $x^\infty$  solving (3.19), respectively.*
- (iii) *When the  $z$ -part disappears, i.e., problem (3.18) becomes the following problem:*

$$\min \{F(y) \mid \mathcal{A}^*y = c\},$$

*the corresponding results in parts (i) and (ii) hold under the condition either  $\tau \in (0, 2)$  or  $\tau \geq 2$  but  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \|\mathcal{A}^*y^{k+1} - c\|^2 < \infty$ .*

## 3.2 An approximate semismooth Newton-CG augmented Lagrangian method for semidefinite programming

In the previous section, we review first order methods for solving large scale linear SDP (3.1) and its dual (3.2). The main purpose of the study is that we want to know which methods are good for providing an approximate solution with moderate accuracy. However, if a high accuracy is required, these first order methods may

not be good enough, and one may need to use second order methods to obtain the high accuracy. Zhao et al [90] and Yang et al [72] use ADMM-type methods to generate an initial point and then use (majorized) semismooth Newton-CG augmented Lagrangian method to solve the dual of the SDP or doubly nonnegative SDP. This approach has been proved to be very efficient in solving both the standard linear SDP problems and the doubly nonnegative SDP problems. When applying the semismooth Newton-CG method, full eigenvalue decomposition of an  $n \times n$  matrix is required in each iteration for solving the subproblems. From the study of first order methods, we notice that one may want to avoid doing full eigenvalue decomposition for big matrices, since it can be time-consuming for large size matrices (say  $n \geq 5000$ ).

Our consideration is that, can we design an algorithm which needs only a small part of the second order information while is still efficient and can obtain high accuracy? Our answer to this question is affirmative. In this section, we propose an approximate semismooth Newton-CG augmented Lagrangian method for solving large scale linear SDP problems.

Throughout this section, we assume the following Slater's condition for (3.1) holds:

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{A} : \mathcal{S}^n \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}^m \text{ is onto,} \\ \exists X_0 \in \mathcal{S}_+^n \text{ such that } \mathcal{A}(X_0) = b, X_0 \succ 0. \end{cases} \quad (3.26)$$

Recall that the dual problem (3.2) takes the following form:

$$\min \{ -\langle b, y \rangle \mid \mathcal{A}^*y + S = C, S \in \mathcal{S}_+^n \}. \quad (3.27)$$

For a given  $\sigma > 0$ , the augmented Lagrangian function associated with (3.27) is given by

$$\mathcal{L}_\sigma(y, S; X) = -\langle b, y \rangle + \langle X, \mathcal{A}^*y + S - C \rangle + \frac{\sigma}{2} \|\mathcal{A}^*y + S - C\|^2,$$

where  $X \in \mathcal{S}^n$ ,  $y \in \mathfrak{R}^m$ ,  $S \in \mathcal{S}_+^n$ . In [90], Zhao et al use the following inexact augmented Lagrangian method to solve (3.27). Specifically, given  $\sigma_0$ ,  $y^0 \in \mathfrak{R}^m$ , for

$k = 0, 1, \dots$ , perform the following steps at each iteration:

$$\begin{cases} (y^{k+1}, S^{k+1}) \approx \arg \min \{ \mathcal{L}_{\sigma_k}(y, S; X^k) \mid y \in \mathfrak{R}^m, S \in \mathcal{S}_+^n \}, \\ X^{k+1} = X^k + \sigma_k(\mathcal{A}^* y^{k+1} + S^{k+1} - C), \end{cases} \quad (3.28)$$

where  $\sigma_k \in (0, +\infty)$ . Note that if  $(\hat{y}, \hat{S}) \in \arg \min \{ \mathcal{L}_{\sigma_k}(y, S; X^k) \mid y \in \mathfrak{R}^m, S \in \mathcal{S}_+^n \}$ , then  $\hat{S} = \Pi_{\mathcal{S}_+^n}(C - \mathcal{A}^* \hat{y} - \frac{1}{\sigma} X^k)$ . Therefore, in each iteration of the augmented Lagrangian method, one needs to solve the following inner problem:

$$y^{k+1} \approx \arg \min_{y \in \mathfrak{R}^m} \left\{ -\langle b, y \rangle + \frac{\sigma}{2} \|\Pi_{\mathcal{S}_+^n}(\mathcal{A}^* y + \frac{1}{\sigma} X^k - C)\|^2 - \frac{1}{2\sigma} \|X^k\|^2 \right\}, \quad (3.29)$$

and  $S^{k+1}$  can be computed by  $S^{k+1} = \Pi_{\mathcal{S}_+^n}(C - \mathcal{A}^* y^{k+1} - \frac{1}{\sigma} X^k)$ . Here, we need to focus on solving the inner problem (3.29). For a fixed  $X$ , we define

$$\varphi(y) := -\langle b, y \rangle + \frac{\sigma}{2} \|\Pi_{\mathcal{S}_+^n}(\mathcal{A}^* y + \frac{1}{\sigma} X - C)\|^2 - \frac{1}{2\sigma} \|X\|^2.$$

$\varphi(\cdot)$  is continuously differentiable and solving (3.29) is equivalent to solving the following nonsmooth equation:

$$\nabla \varphi(y) = \mathcal{A} \Pi_{\mathcal{S}_+^n}(X + \sigma(\mathcal{A}^* y - C)) - b = 0, \quad y \in \mathfrak{R}^m. \quad (3.30)$$

Since  $\Pi_{\mathcal{S}_+^n}(\cdot)$  is Lipschitz continuous with modulus 1, the mapping  $\nabla \varphi$  is Lipschitz continuous on  $\mathfrak{R}^m$ . Then for any  $y \in \mathfrak{R}^m$ , the generalized Hessian of  $\varphi(y)$  is well defined by  $\partial^2 \varphi(y) := \partial(\nabla \varphi)(y)$ , where  $\partial(\nabla \varphi)(y)$  is the Clarke's generalized Jacobian [15] of  $\nabla \varphi$  at  $y$ . However, it is difficult to express  $\partial^2 \varphi(y)$  exactly, we define the following alternative for  $\partial^2 \varphi(y)$ :

$$\hat{\partial}^2 \varphi(y) := \sigma \mathcal{A} \partial \Pi_{\mathcal{S}_+^n}(X + \sigma(\mathcal{A}^* y - C)) \mathcal{A}^*,$$

where  $\partial \Pi_{\mathcal{S}_+^n}(X + \sigma(\mathcal{A}^* y - C))$  is the Clarke subdifferential of  $\Pi_{\mathcal{S}_+^n}(\cdot)$  at  $X + \sigma(\mathcal{A}^* y - C)$ . From [15, p.75], we have that for  $d \in \mathfrak{R}^m$ ,  $\partial^2 \varphi(y)d \subseteq \hat{\partial}^2 \varphi(y)d$ .

Denote  $Y \equiv X + \sigma(\mathcal{A}^* y - C) \in \mathcal{S}^n$ . Suppose  $Y$  has the following eigenvalue decomposition  $Y = P \Lambda_y P^T$ , where  $P \in \mathfrak{R}^{n \times n}$  is an orthogonal matrix whose columns are eigenvectors of matrix  $Y$ , and  $\Lambda_y$  is the diagonal matrix of eigenvalues with the

diagonal elements arranged in nonincreasing order:  $\lambda_1 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n$ . Define the following index sets:

$$\alpha := \{i \mid \lambda_i(Y) > 0\}, \quad \bar{\alpha} := \{i \mid \lambda_i(Y) \leq 0\}.$$

Define the operator  $W_y : \mathcal{S}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^n$  by

$$W_y(H) := P(\Omega \circ (P^T H P))P^T, \quad H \in \mathcal{S}^n,$$

where " $\circ$ " denotes the Hadamard product of two matrices and

$$\Omega = \begin{bmatrix} E_{\alpha\alpha} & \tau_{\alpha\bar{\alpha}} \\ \tau_{\alpha\bar{\alpha}}^T & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \tau_{ij} = \frac{\lambda_i}{\lambda_i - \lambda_j}, \quad i \in \alpha, j \in \bar{\alpha},$$

where  $E_{\alpha\alpha}$  denotes the  $|\alpha| \times |\alpha|$  matrix with all elements being 1. By Pang, Sun and Sun [54, Lemma 11], we know that  $W_y \in \partial\Pi_{\mathcal{S}_+^n}(X + \sigma(\mathcal{A}^*y - C))$ . Define the operator  $V_y : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^n$  by

$$V_y d := \sigma\mathcal{A}[P(\Omega \circ (P^T(\mathcal{A}^*d)P))P^T], \quad d \in \mathbb{R}^m,$$

then we have  $V_y = \sigma\mathcal{A}W_y\mathcal{A}^* \in \hat{\partial}^2\varphi(y)$ .

For fixed  $y$  and given  $d$ , one needs all the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of  $X + \sigma(\mathcal{A}^*y - C)$  to compute  $V_y d$ , while in our approximate semismooth Newton-CG method, we consider using only part of eigenvalues and eigenvectors of  $X + \sigma(\mathcal{A}^*y - C)$  to compute  $W_y(H)$  approximately.

We divide the index set  $\bar{\alpha}$  into two parts:  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$ , with elements in  $\gamma_1$  being smaller than that in  $\gamma_2$ . We define the upper triangle part of the symmetric matrix  $\tilde{\Omega}$  as follows:

$$\tilde{\Omega}_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \forall i, j \in \alpha, \\ 0, & \forall i, j \in \bar{\alpha}, \\ \rho_i, & \rho_i \in (0, 1], \forall i \in \alpha, j \in \gamma_1, \\ \frac{\lambda_i}{\lambda_i - \lambda_j}, & \forall i \in \alpha, j \in \gamma_2. \end{cases} \quad (3.31)$$

Consider the following linear operator  $\widetilde{\mathcal{W}} : \mathcal{S}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^n$

$$\widetilde{\mathcal{W}}(H) := P(\widetilde{\Omega} \circ (P^T H P))P^T.$$

Let  $D_\rho = \text{Diag}(\rho_1, \dots, \rho_{|\alpha|})$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \widetilde{\mathcal{W}}(H) &= P(\widetilde{\Omega} \circ (P^T H P))P^T \\ &= P_\alpha P_\alpha^T H P_\alpha P_\alpha^T + W_1 + W_1^T + W_2 + W_2^T \end{aligned} \quad (3.32)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} W_1 &= P_\alpha D_\rho P_\alpha^T H (I - P_\alpha P_\alpha^T - P_{\gamma_2} P_{\gamma_2}^T), \\ W_2 &= P_\alpha (\widetilde{\Omega}_{\alpha\gamma_2} \circ P_\alpha^T H P_{\gamma_2}) P_{\gamma_2}. \end{aligned}$$

We use this approximation when  $|\alpha| < |\bar{\alpha}|$ . From (3.32), it can be observed that if  $Y$  is of low rank, then one only needs the positive eigenvalues and a small part of the negative eigenvalues and the corresponding eigenvectors  $(P_\alpha, P_{\gamma_2})$  to compute  $W_y(H)$  approximately.

If  $|\alpha| > |\bar{\alpha}|$ , partition the index set  $\alpha$  into two parts:  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$ , and let elements in  $\alpha_1$  be smaller than that in  $\alpha_2$ . Define the upper triangle part of the symmetric matrix  $\widetilde{\Omega}$  as follows:

$$\widetilde{\Omega}_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \forall i, j \in \alpha, \\ 0, & \forall i, j \in \bar{\alpha}, \\ \rho_j, & \rho_j \in (0, 1], \forall i \in \alpha_2, j \in \bar{\alpha}, \\ \frac{\lambda_i}{\lambda_i - \lambda_j}, & \forall i \in \alpha_1, j \in \bar{\alpha}. \end{cases} \quad (3.33)$$

Similarly as in the case  $|\alpha| < |\bar{\alpha}|$ , we can compute  $W_y(H)$  approximately by using only a few eigenvalues and eigenvectors of  $X + \sigma(\mathcal{A}^*y - C)$ . Define  $D_\rho = \text{Diag}(\rho_{\bar{\alpha}})$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \widetilde{\mathcal{W}}(H) &= P(\widetilde{\Omega} \circ (P^T H P))P^T \\ &= H - P((E_{n \times n} - \widetilde{\Omega}) \circ (P^T H P))P^T \\ &= H - (P_{\bar{\alpha}} P_{\bar{\alpha}}^T H P_{\bar{\alpha}} P_{\bar{\alpha}}^T + W_1 + W_1^T + W_2 + W_2^T) \end{aligned} \quad (3.34)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} W_1 &= (I - P_{\alpha_1} P_{\alpha_1}^T - P_{\bar{\alpha}} P_{\bar{\alpha}}) H P_{\bar{\alpha}} (I_{|\bar{\alpha}| \times |\bar{\alpha}|} - D_\rho) P_{\bar{\alpha}}^T, \\ W_2 &= P_{\alpha_1} ((E_{|\alpha_1| \times |\bar{\alpha}|} - \tilde{\Omega}_{\alpha_1 \bar{\alpha}}) \circ P_{\alpha_1}^T H P_{\bar{\alpha}}) P_{\bar{\alpha}}. \end{aligned}$$

From (3.34), we know that if  $Y$  is of high rank, then only the negative eigenvalues and a small part of positive eigenvalues and the corresponding eigenvectors  $(P_{\alpha_1}, P_{\bar{\alpha}})$  are needed to compute the  $W_y(H)$  approximately.

Now for  $X + \sigma(\mathcal{A}^*y - C)$ , we define  $\tilde{V}_y : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^n$  as follows

$$\tilde{V}_y d = \sigma \mathcal{A}(P(\tilde{\Omega} \circ (P^T(\mathcal{A}^*d)P))P^T). \quad (3.35)$$

We can easily get the following proposition:

**Proposition 3.4.** *If  $\tilde{\Omega} \in \mathcal{S}^n$  satisfies that  $\tilde{\Omega}_{ij} \geq 0, \forall i = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, n$ , then  $\tilde{V}_y$  is positive semidefnite.*

*Proof.* By noticing

$$\langle d, \tilde{V}_y d \rangle = \sigma \langle P^T(\mathcal{A}^*d)P, \tilde{\Omega} \circ (P^T(\mathcal{A}^*d)P) \rangle,$$

we know that as long as  $\tilde{\Omega} \geq 0$ ,  $\langle d, \tilde{V}_y d \rangle \geq 0$  holds, which completes the proof.  $\square$

From our construction of  $\tilde{\Omega}$  ((3.31) or (3.33)), we always have  $\tilde{\Omega} \geq 0$ . Hence for any  $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $\tilde{V}_y \succeq 0$ . We present our approximate semismooth Newton-CG algorithm as follows:

**Algorithm ASNCG:** An approximate semismooth Newton-CG algorithm for solving problem (3.29).

Given  $\mu \in (0, 1/2)$ ,  $\bar{\eta} \in (0, 1)$ ,  $\tau \in (0, 1]$ ,  $\tau_1, \tau_2 \in (0, 1)$ , and  $\delta \in (0, 1)$ . Choose  $y^0 \in \mathbb{R}^m$ . For  $j = 0, 1, \dots$

**Step 1.** Given a maximum number of CG iterations  $N_j > 0$ , compute

$$\eta_j := \min(\bar{\eta}, \|\nabla\varphi(y^j)\|^{1+\tau}).$$

Apply the conjugate gradient (CG) algorithm ( $CG(\eta_j, N_j)$ ), to find an approximate solution  $d^j$  to

$$(\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I)d = -\nabla\varphi(y^j), \quad (3.36)$$

where  $\tilde{V}_j$  is defined as in (3.35) and  $\epsilon_j := \tau_1 \min\{\tau_2, \|\nabla\varphi(y^j)\|\}$ .

**Step 2.** Set  $\alpha_j = \delta^{M_j}$ , where  $M_j$  is the first nonnegative integer  $M$  for which

$$\varphi(y^j + \delta^M d^j) \leq \varphi(y^j) + \mu \delta^M \langle \nabla\varphi(y^j), d^j \rangle. \quad (3.37)$$

**Step 3.** Set  $y^{j+1} = y^j + \alpha_j d^j$ .

Note that the only difference between ASNCG and the semismooth Newton-CG method proposed in [90] is that we use the approximate operator  $\tilde{V}_j$  instead of  $V_j$  when calculating the Newton direction  $d$  in (3.36). Next, we analyze the convergence of our proposed algorithm ASNCG.

### 3.2.1 Convergence analysis

From Proposition 3.4, we know that for any  $j \geq 0$ ,  $\tilde{V}_j \succeq 0$ . As long as  $\nabla\varphi(y^j) \neq 0$ , the matrix  $\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I$  is positive definite. Similarly as in [90], with the assumption  $\nabla\varphi(y^j) \neq 0$  for any  $j \geq 0$ , we have the following proposition:

**Proposition 3.5.** *For every  $j \geq 0$ , the search direction  $d^j$  generated by Algorithm*

ASNCG satisfies

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_{\max}(\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I)} \leq \frac{\langle -\nabla\varphi(y^j), d^j \rangle}{\|\nabla\varphi(y^j)\|^2} \leq \frac{1}{\lambda_{\min}(\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I)}$$

where  $\lambda_{\max}(\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I)$  and  $\lambda_{\min}(\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I)$  are the largest and smallest eigenvalues of  $\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I$  respectively.

Proposition 3.5 implies that for any  $j \geq 0$ ,  $d^j$  is a descent direction. Thus Algorithm ASNCG is well defined. As same as in [90], we have the following theorem for the global convergence of Algorithm ASNCG.

**Theorem 3.6.** *Suppose that problem (3.1) satisfies the Slater condition (3.26). Then Algorithm ASNCG is well defined and any accumulation point  $\hat{y}$  of  $\{y^j\}$  generated by Algorithm ASNCG is an optimal solution to problem (3.29).*

Before establishing the rate of convergene of Algorithm ASNCG, we need to analyze the properties of  $\tilde{V}_j$ . Let  $\hat{y}$  be an optimal solution to problem (3.29),  $\hat{S} = \Pi_{\mathcal{S}_+^n}(C - \mathcal{A}^*\hat{y} - \sigma^{-1}X)$  and define  $\hat{Y} := X + \sigma(\mathcal{A}^*\hat{y} - C)$ . Suppose  $\hat{Y}$  has the eigenvalue decomposition:

$$\hat{Y} = Q\Lambda Q^T,$$

where  $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is an orthogonal matrix and  $\Lambda = \text{Diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$  is the diagonal matrix with the diagonal elements arranged in nonincreasing order. Define the index sets:

$$\hat{\alpha} := \{i \mid \lambda_i(\hat{Y}) > 0\}, \quad \hat{\gamma} := \{i \mid \lambda_i(\hat{Y}) \leq 0\}.$$

Then,  $\hat{S}$  has the spectral decomposition:

$$\hat{S} = Q \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{\sigma}\Lambda_{\hat{\gamma}} \end{bmatrix} Q^T.$$

Let the linear operator  $\bar{V} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^n$  be defined by

$$\bar{V}d = \sigma\mathcal{A}(Q(\bar{\Omega} \circ (Q^T(\mathcal{A}^*d)Q))Q^T), \quad (3.38)$$

where  $\bar{\Omega} \in \mathcal{S}^n$  and  $\bar{\Omega}_{ij} = 1, \forall i, j \in \hat{\alpha}$ ,  $\bar{\Omega}_{ij} = 0, \forall i, j \in \hat{\gamma}$ ,  $\bar{\Omega}_{ij} \in (0, 1], \forall i \in \hat{\alpha}, j \in \hat{\gamma}$ .

We have the following theorem to ensure the positive definiteness of  $\bar{V}$ .



**Proposition 3.7.** *Assume that the constraint nondegenerate condition*

$$\mathcal{A}\text{lin}(\mathcal{T}_{S_+^n}(\hat{S})) = \mathbb{R}^m \quad (3.39)$$

*holds at  $\hat{S} := \Pi_{S_+^n}(X + \sigma(\mathcal{A}^*\hat{y} - C))$ , where  $\text{lin}(\mathcal{T}_{S_+^n}(\hat{S}))$  denotes the lineality space of  $\mathcal{T}_{S_+^n}(\hat{S})$ . Let  $\bar{V} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^n$  be defined by (3.38), then  $\bar{V}$  is positive definite.*

*Proof.* The proof is similar to that in [2, Proposition 2.7]. However, since we use a different operator  $\bar{V}$ , we still provide a proof here.

From Proposition 3.4, we know  $\bar{V}$  is positive semidefinite. Now we show the positive definiteness of  $\bar{V}$ . Let  $d \in \mathbb{R}^m$  be a vector such that  $\bar{V}d = 0$ . Then from the fact that  $1 \geq \bar{\Omega} \geq 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = \langle d, \bar{V}d \rangle &= \sigma \langle Q^T(\mathcal{A}^*d)Q, \bar{\Omega} \circ (Q^T(\mathcal{A}^*d)Q) \rangle \\ &\geq \sigma \langle \bar{\Omega} \circ (Q^T(\mathcal{A}^*d)Q), \bar{\Omega} \circ (Q^T(\mathcal{A}^*d)Q) \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that  $\bar{\Omega} \circ (Q^T(\mathcal{A}^*d)Q) = 0$ . Since  $\bar{\Omega}_{ij} > 0, \forall i \in \hat{\alpha}$ , we know that  $Q^T(\mathcal{A}^*d)Q_{\hat{\alpha}} = 0$ , thus  $(\mathcal{A}^*d)Q_{\hat{\alpha}} = 0$ . Therefore, from the definition of  $\text{lin}(\mathcal{T}_{S_+^n}(\hat{S}))$ :

$$\text{lin}(\mathcal{T}_{S_+^n}(\hat{S})) = \{B \in \mathcal{S}^n \mid Q_{\hat{\gamma}}^T B Q_{\hat{\gamma}} = 0\},$$

we know that  $\mathcal{A}^*d \in \text{lin}(\mathcal{T}_{S_+^n}(\hat{S}))^\perp$ . Since the constraint nondegenerate condition holds,  $\exists h \in \text{lin}(\mathcal{T}_{S_+^n}(\hat{S}))$  such that  $d = \mathcal{A}h$ . Hence, it holds that

$$\langle d, d \rangle = \langle \mathcal{A}h, d \rangle = \langle h, \mathcal{A}^*d \rangle = 0.$$

Thus  $d = 0$ , which, together with the fact that  $\bar{V}$  is positive semidefinite, shows that  $\bar{V}$  is positive definite. □

Now from Proposition 3.7, we can build the uniform boundedness of  $\{\|(\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I)^{-1}\|\}$ .

**Proposition 3.8.** *Let  $\tilde{V}_j$  be defined by (3.35), where  $\tilde{\Omega}$  is defined by (3.31), with  $\rho_i \geq \max_{j \in \gamma_2} \{\tau_{ij}\}$ . Assume that the constraint nondegenerate condition holds at  $\hat{S}$ . Then  $\{\|(\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I)^{-1}\|\}$  is uniformly bounded.*

*Proof.* Define the linear operator  $\bar{V}_j : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^n$  by (3.35), and replace  $\tilde{\Omega}$  with  $\bar{\Omega}$ , where  $\bar{\Omega}$  is defined as follows:

$$\bar{\Omega} = \begin{bmatrix} E_{\alpha\alpha} & DE_{\alpha\bar{\alpha}} \\ (DE_{\alpha\bar{\alpha}})^T & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (3.40)$$

where  $E_{\alpha\alpha}$  denotes the  $|\alpha| \times |\alpha|$  matrix with all elements being 1,  $E_{\alpha\bar{\alpha}}$  denotes the  $|\alpha| \times |\bar{\alpha}|$  matrix with all elements being 1,  $D$  denotes the diagonal matrix

$$D := \text{Diag}\left(\frac{\lambda_i}{\lambda_i - \lambda_n}\right), \quad i \in \alpha.$$

Let  $\bar{V}$  be defined by (3.38), and the corresponding  $\bar{\Omega}$  is defined as in (3.40), with  $\alpha$  being replaced by  $\hat{\alpha}$ ,  $\bar{\alpha}$  being replaced by  $\hat{\gamma}$ . Then we have  $\bar{V}_j \rightarrow \bar{V}$ , since  $y^j \rightarrow \hat{y}$ . We know that  $\bar{V}$  is positive definite from Proposition 3.7. From the fact  $\tilde{\Omega} \geq \bar{\Omega}$ , we get  $\tilde{V}_j \succeq \bar{V}_j$ , which, together with  $\bar{V}_j \rightarrow \bar{V}$  and  $\bar{V} \succ 0$ , implies that  $\{\|(\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I)^{-1}\|\}$  is uniformly bounded.  $\square$

Next we discuss the rate of convergence of Algorithm ASNCG.

**Theorem 3.9.** *Assume that problem (3.1) satisfies Slater's condition (3.26). Let  $\hat{y}$  be an accumulation point of the infinite sequence  $y^j$  generated by Algorithm ASNCG for solving the inner problem (3.29). Let  $\tilde{V}_j$  be defined by (3.35) with  $\rho_i \geq \max_{j \in \gamma_2} \{\tau_{ij}\}$ . Suppose that at each step  $j \geq 0$ , when the CG algorithm terminates, the tolerance  $\eta_j$  is achieved, i.e.,*

$$\|\nabla\varphi(y^j) + (\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I)d^j\| \leq \eta_j.$$

*Assume that the constraint nondegenerate condition*

$$\mathcal{A}\text{lin}(\mathcal{T}_{S_+^n}(\hat{S})) = \mathbb{R}^m$$

*holds at  $\hat{S} := \Pi_{S_+^n}(X + \sigma(\mathcal{A}^*\hat{y} - C))$ , where  $\text{lin}(\mathcal{T}_{S_+^n}(\hat{S}))$  denotes the lineality space of  $\mathcal{T}_{S_+^n}(\hat{S})$ . Then the whole sequence  $\{y^j\}$  converges to  $\hat{y}$ . If for  $j$  sufficiently large,  $\exists \rho \in [0, 1)$ , such that  $\|(\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I)^{-1}(\tilde{V}_j - V_j)\| \leq \rho$ , then for any  $\tilde{\rho} \in (\rho, 1)$ , for  $j$  sufficiently large, we have*

$$\|y^{j+1} - \hat{y}\| \leq \tilde{\rho}\|y^j - \hat{y}\|.$$

*Proof.* By Theorem 3.6, we know that the sequence  $\{y^j\}$  is bounded and  $\hat{y}$  is an optimal solution to (3.29) with  $\nabla\varphi(\hat{y}) = 0$ . Since the constraint nondegenerate condition is assumed to hold at  $\hat{S}$ ,  $\hat{y}$  is the unique optimal solution to (3.29). It then follows from Theorem 3.6 that  $\{y^j\}$  converges to  $\hat{y}$ . Since  $\Pi_{\mathcal{S}_+^n(\cdot)}$  is strongly semismooth [71], it holds that

$$\nabla\varphi(y^j) - \nabla\varphi(\hat{y}) - V_j(y^j - \hat{y}) = O(\|y^j - \hat{y}\|^2).$$

We also have that  $\|(\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I)^{-1}\|$  is uniformly bounded from Proposition 3.8. It holds that for all  $j$  sufficiently large,

$$\begin{aligned} & \|y^j + d^j - \hat{y}\| \\ = & \|y^j + (\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I)^{-1}((\nabla\varphi(y^j) + (\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I)d^j) - \nabla\varphi(y^j)) - \hat{y}\| \\ \leq & \|y^j - \hat{y} - (\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I)^{-1}\nabla\varphi(y^j)\| + \|(\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I)^{-1}\| \eta_j \\ \leq & \|(\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I)^{-1}(\tilde{V}_j(y^j - \hat{y}) - \nabla\varphi(y^j))\| + \|(\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I)^{-1}\|(\epsilon_j \|y^j - \hat{y}\| + \eta_j) \\ \leq & \|(\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I)^{-1}(\tilde{V}_j - V_j)(y^j - \hat{y})\| \\ & + \|(\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I)^{-1}\|(O(\|y^j - \hat{y}\|^2) + \epsilon_j \|y^j - \hat{y}\| + \eta_j) \\ = & \|(\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I)^{-1}(\tilde{V}_j - V_j)(y^j - \hat{y})\| + O(\|y^j - \hat{y}\|^{1+\tau}) \\ \leq & \rho \|y^j - \hat{y}\| + O(\|y^j - \hat{y}\|^{1+\tau}) \\ \leq & \tilde{\rho} \|y^j - \hat{y}\|. \end{aligned} \tag{3.41}$$

Therefore, for all  $j$  sufficiently large,

$$y^j - \hat{y} = -d^j + O(\|d^j\|) \quad \text{and} \quad \|d^j\| \rightarrow 0,$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \nabla\varphi(y^j) + (\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I)d^j, d^j \rangle \\ \leq & \eta_j \|d^j\| \\ \leq & \|\nabla\varphi(y^j)\|^{1+\tau} \|d^j\| \\ = & \|\nabla\varphi(y^j) - \nabla\varphi(\hat{y})\|^{1+\tau} \|d^j\| \\ \leq & \sigma \|\mathcal{A}\| \|\mathcal{A}^*\| \|y^j - \hat{y}\|^{1+\tau} \|d^j\| \\ \leq & O(\|d^j\|^{2+\tau}). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\|d^j\| \rightarrow 0$  and  $\|(\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I)\|$  is uniformly bounded, there exists a constant  $\hat{\delta} > 0$  such that for all  $j$  sufficiently large,

$$-\langle \nabla \varphi(y^j), d^j \rangle \geq \hat{\delta} \|d^j\|^2.$$

Since  $\nabla \varphi(\cdot)$  is semismooth at  $\hat{y}$ , from [53], we have that for  $\mu \in (0, 1/2)$ , there exists an integer  $j_0$  such that for any  $j > j_0$ ,

$$\varphi(y^j + d^j) \leq \varphi(y^j) + \mu \langle \nabla \varphi(y^j), d^j \rangle,$$

which implies that, for all  $j \geq j_0$ ,  $y^{j+1} = y^j + d^j$ . This, together with (3.41) completes the proof.  $\square$

**Remark 3.10.** In Theorem 3.9, the linear convergence rate is based on the condition that  $\|(\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I)^{-1}(\tilde{V}_j - V_j)\| \leq \rho$ , for  $j$  sufficiently large. This condition can always be satisfied as long as we compute enough eigenvalues and eigenvectors. In particular, if we calculate all the eigenvalues and eigenvectors and use  $V_j$  directly, this condition holds. If  $|\alpha|$  is small, we only need all the positive eigenvalues and one negative eigenvalue  $\lambda_{k_0}$  which has the smallest magnitude among all the negative eigenvalues to make this condition holds. In fact, if we let  $\rho_i = \frac{\lambda_i}{\lambda_i - \lambda_{k_0}}$ , for all  $i \in \alpha$ , then for  $j$  sufficiently large, there exists  $\rho \in [0, 1)$  such that  $\|(\tilde{V}_j + \epsilon_j I)^{-1}(\tilde{V}_j - V_j)\| < \rho$ . Based on Theorem 3.9, one can expect fast linear convergence of the approximate semismooth Newton-CG method for the inner problems.

### 3.3 Numerical experiments

In this section, we first report the numerical results of the spectral bundle method (SPB), the low rank factorization method (SDPLR), Renegar's first order methods, including NonSmoothed Scheme (RNS) and Smoothed Scheme (RS), and ADMM for the standard linear SDP problems (3.1). Then, we compare SDPLR and ADMM+ on solving doubly nonnegative SDP problems. In the second part, we report the numerical results of the approximate semismooth Newton-CG augmented Lagrangian method for solving the standard linear SDP problems.

### 3.3.1 First order methods for linear SDP problems

Firstly, we test the first order methods on the standard linear SDP problems. The test problems are SDP problems arising from the relaxation of maximum stable set problems. Given a graph  $G$  with edge set  $\mathcal{E}$ , the SDP relaxation  $\theta$  of the maximum stable set problem are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \langle -ee^T, X \rangle \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \langle E_{ij}, X \rangle = 0, \quad (i, j) \in \mathcal{E}, \quad \langle I, X \rangle = 1, \\ & X \in \mathcal{S}_+^n, \end{aligned} \tag{3.42}$$

where  $e \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is the vector of ones,  $E_{ij} = e_i e_j^T + e_j e_i^T$  and  $e_i$  denotes the  $i$ th column of the identity matrix. In our numerical experiments, we test the graph instances  $G$  considered in [70, 81, 80].

Before the discussions on the numerical results, a few comments relative to the numerical results are presented.

First of all, our motivation of doing the numerical comparison between the first order methods is that we want to find out which methods are good at providing some initial points and which methods can obtain solutions of moderate accuracy fast. Considering the motivation, we want the methods to provide both primal and dual solutions of medium accuracy. However, some of the methods we discussed in section 3.1 are not designed for this purpose. In particular, Renegar's first order methods are primal feasible methods and only produce primal variables in the computation. The spectral bundle method is a feasible dual method and is more focused on providing valid lower bounds for the dual problem (3.2). The low-rank factorization method is a primal method which is designed for generating approximate optimal primal solutions.

Secondly, some of the methods are not applicable for general linear SDPs and may have some restrictions in applications. For example, the spectral bundle method only applies to a special class of SDP problems, that is, the trace of the primal matrix  $X$  is fixed. In Renegar's first order methods, it is always assumed that a strictly

feasible matrix  $E$  is known in prior while this is not always the case.

Thirdly, since the four algorithms are of great difference, it is hard to give a unified standard to measure the performance of all the four algorithms. We will present computational results that compare the methods based on the time needed to solve the linear SDP and the accuracy they attain. For SPB, SDPLR and ADMM, we use the KKT conditions as the stopping criteria. In order to adapt the stopping criteria, we slightly modified the code SDPLR. For SPB, we implement it in MATLAB and apply the APG method to solve the subproblems. In the test, we apply the classical 2-block ADMM to the dual problem (3.2). Here we test the methods under various requirements of accuracy.

For ADMM, SDPLR and SPB, we measure the accuracy of an approximate optimal solution  $(X, y, S)$  for (3.1) and (3.2) by using the following relative residual:

$$\eta = \max\{\eta_P, \eta_D, \eta_K, \eta_{K^*}, \eta_C\}, \quad (3.43)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_P &= \frac{\|\mathcal{A}X - b\|}{1 + \|b\|}, \quad \eta_D = \frac{\|\mathcal{A}^*y + S - C\|}{1 + \|C\|}, \\ \eta_K &= \frac{\|\Pi_{\mathcal{S}_+^n}(-X)\|}{1 + \|X\|}, \quad \eta_{K^*} = \frac{\|\Pi_{\mathcal{S}_+^n}(-S)\|}{1 + \|S\|}, \quad \eta_C = \frac{|\langle X, S \rangle|}{1 + \|X\| + \|S\|}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.44)$$

In the numerical experiments, we use  $\eta < \epsilon$  as the condition of termination, and we test the cases  $\epsilon = 10^{-2}$ ,  $\epsilon = 10^{-3}$ ,  $\epsilon = 10^{-4}$ ,  $\epsilon = 10^{-5}$ , respectively. Besides the termination condition  $\eta < \epsilon$ , we stop ADMM if the number of iterations reaches 25,000 steps; we stop SPB if the number of iterations reaches 5,000; we stop SDPLR if  $\eta_P < 10^{-9}$  but  $\eta_K \geq \epsilon$ . Moreover, we set the maximum computing time for each test instance to be 3 hours. In our numerical results, the computation time is in the format of “hours:minutes:seconds”. Since Renegar’s first order methods RNS and RS do not generate dual variables during computation, we need some other criteria to measure the performance of them. Because of this difference, at first, we report the numerical results of RNS and RS alone.

Note that for the SDP problem (3.42),  $I \in \mathcal{S}^n$  is strictly feasible as required in the assumption of Renegar's transformation in [61]. One can apply both the NonSmoothed Scheme and Smoothed Scheme to solve problem (3.42).

The condition for termination given in [61] is by number of iterations based on iteration complexity results.

Let  $X^0$  satisfy  $\mathcal{A}X^0 = b$  and  $\langle C, X^0 \rangle < \langle C, I \rangle$ . Let  $val_0 := \langle C, X^0 \rangle$ . Let  $d$  be a distance upper bound: a value for which there exists  $X_{val_0}^*$  satisfying  $\|X^0 - X_{val_0}^*\| \leq d$ . Let  $val^*$  be the optimal objective value of (3.1). By [61, Theorem 4.2], the NonSmoothed Scheme outputs  $Z$  which is feasible for (3.1) and satisfies

$$\frac{\langle C, Z \rangle - val^*}{\langle C, I \rangle - val^*} \leq \epsilon, \quad (3.45)$$

within

$$N := (9d^2 + 1) \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} + \log_{3/2} \left( \frac{\langle C, I \rangle - val^*}{\langle C, I \rangle - val_0} \right) \right)$$

iterations. From [61, Theorem 7.2], for the Smoothed Scheme, this accuracy can be attained within

$$N := 12\sqrt{\ln n} d \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon} + \log_{5/4} \left( \frac{\langle C, I \rangle - val^*}{\langle C, I \rangle - val_0} \right) \right)$$

iterations. These upper bounds are used as the stopping criteria in [61]. Note that this  $N$  is related to not only the required accuracy  $\epsilon$ , but also the optimal value of the primal and the distance between the initial point and the optimal solution, which in fact are not known in prior. Regarding our testing purpose, we let the maximum number of iterations be 50,000 and terminate the algorithms RNS and RS when the maximum number of iterations is reached.

All our computational results are obtained by running MATLAB on a PC with 24 GB memory, 2.80GHz quad-core CPU.

Table 3.1 reports detailed numerical results for RNS and RS in solving linear SDP problems. The accuracy is measured by (3.45), where the optimal value  $val^*$  is obtained by running ADMM to the accuracy of  $\eta < 10^{-6}$ . It can be observed from Table 3.1 that with the same number of iterations (50,000), the Smoothed Scheme

always outperforms the NonSmoothed Scheme regarding the accuracy they achieve, except for 1 ‘hamming’ problems.

Table 3.1: The performance of RNS and RS on  $\theta$  problems.

problem	$m_E; n_s$	obj		accuracy		time	
		RNS   RS		RNS   RS		RNS   RS	
theta6	4375;300	-6.007646e+01	-6.211937e+01	8.90e-02	3.55e-02	7:12	7:41
theta62	13390;300	-2.897335e+01	-2.955699e+01	4.22e-02	5.32e-03	7:34	8:01
theta8	7905;400	-6.922082e+01	-7.242072e+01	1.06e-01	3.44e-02	13:51	15:35
theta82	23872;400	-3.336740e+01	-3.426811e+01	5.40e-02	5.33e-03	14:41	16:15
theta10	12470;500	-7.791784e+01	-8.204702e+01	1.15e-01	3.44e-02	22:52	26:19
theta102	37467;500	-3.715977e+01	-3.827713e+01	5.95e-02	5.49e-03	24:18	27:17
theta103	62516;500	-2.225686e+01	-2.251300e+01	2.58e-02	1.48e-03	26:45	30:34
theta12	17979;600	-8.593251e+01	-9.097084e+01	1.21e-01	3.22e-02	35:49	40:50
MANN-a27	703;378	-1.246544e+02	-1.274914e+02	1.45e-01	9.44e-02	13:14	15:40
hamming-9-8	2305;512	-2.238372e+02	-2.232066e+02	9.42e-04	4.59e-03	27:59	30:54
hamming-10-2	23041;1024	-9.333387e+01	-1.021668e+02	1.13e-01	2.91e-03	2:15:52	2:41:39
hamming-9-5-6	53761;512	-7.192332e+01	-8.341631e+01	2.09e-01	2.98e-02	28:42	32:59
brock200-1	5067;200	-2.668194e+01	-2.730495e+01	5.21e-02	1.02e-02	2:59	3:01
brock200-4	6812;200	-2.095956e+01	-2.124345e+01	3.13e-02	4.68e-03	3:12	3:09
brock400-1	20078;400	-3.833572e+01	-3.953192e+01	6.16e-02	7.67e-03	14:34	16:14
G43	9991;1000	-2.421583e+02	-2.615174e+02	2.12e-01	1.05e-01	1:53:13	2:17:13
G44	9991;1000	-2.414950e+02	-2.615721e+02	2.16e-01	1.05e-01	1:53:09	2:17:03
G45	9991;1000	-2.416341e+02	-2.613756e+02	2.13e-01	1.04e-01	1:53:28	2:17:16
G46	9991;1000	-2.420855e+02	-2.613634e+02	2.10e-01	1.03e-01	1:53:51	2:17:15
G47	9991;1000	-2.423640e+02	-2.624489e+02	2.15e-01	1.06e-01	1:52:45	2:17:31
G51	5910;1000	-2.609559e+02	-2.775372e+02	3.10e-01	2.52e-01	1:50:02	2:16:23
G52	5917;1000	-2.458167e+02	-2.738153e+02	3.59e-01	2.61e-01	1:52:31	2:19:58
G53	5915;1000	-2.461438e+02	-2.738168e+02	3.61e-01	2.64e-01	1:52:46	2:20:11
G54	5917;1000	-2.571007e+02	-2.738127e+02	3.04e-01	2.43e-01	1:52:39	2:19:59
1dc.512	9728;512	-4.987921e+01	-5.135355e+01	8.31e-02	4.42e-02	27:18	29:56
1et.512	4033;512	-8.581939e+01	-9.504731e+01	2.29e-01	1.16e-01	27:04	28:14
2dc.512	54896;512	-1.022580e+01	-1.141692e+01	1.85e-01	4.22e-02	29:10	31:41
1dc.1024	24064;1024	-9.071561e+01	-9.303439e+01	7.32e-02	4.10e-02	2:14:48	2:41:03
1et.1024	9601;1024	-1.567018e+02	-1.698919e+02	1.90e-01	9.87e-02	2:14:15	2:37:20
2dc.1024	169163;1024	-1.605866e+01	-1.818741e+01	1.81e-01	3.17e-02	2:20:20	2:49:42



Note that for big problems ( $n \geq 1000$ ), the Smoothed Scheme takes more time in one iteration than the NonSmoothed Scheme. Concerned with this, we give Figure 3.1-3.6 to show the performance of RNS and RS on several big instances. In the figures, we use the circle line to denote RNS and the triangle line to denote RS. Figure 3.1 shows the performance of Renegar's NonSmoothed Scheme and Smoothed Scheme for the test instance 'hamming-10-2' with respect to the number of iterations and Figure 3.2 shows the performance with respect to computing time. Figure 3.3 to 3.6 show the performance with respect to computing time for the test instance 'G43', '1dc.1024' and '2dc.1024' and '2dc.2048', respectively. We can observe from the figures that the Smoothed Scheme usually converges faster than the NonSmoothed Scheme.

Next, we report the numerical results of ADMM, SDPLR and SPB. Table 3.2 to 3.5 report the detailed numerical results for ADMM, SDPLR and SPB in solving standard linear SDP problems with the accuracy from  $10^{-2}$  to  $10^{-5}$ , respectively.

Table 3.2: The performance of ADMM, SDPLR, SPB on  $\theta$  problems (accuracy =  $10^{-2}$ ).

		$\eta$	time
problem	$m_E; n_s$	ADMM   SDPLR   SPB	ADMM   SDPLR   SPB
theta4	1949;200	9.5-3 2.5-3 9.2-3	1.1 1.5 2.5
theta42	5986;200	7.7-3 4.8-3 9.7-3	0.7 0.8 9.3
theta6	4375;300	8.7-3 4.0-3 9.6-3	2.4 4 3
theta62	13390;300	8.1-3 8.0-3 9.6-3	1.4 1.7 7.2
theta8	7905;400	9.9-3 2.8-3 9.4-3	4.3 2.9 11.8
theta82	23872;400	9.7-3 9.9-3 8.0-3	2.5 2.3 24
theta10	12470;500	8.1-3 3.0-3 8.9-3	6.9 4.5 21.2
theta102	37467;500	9.8-3 9.1-3 8.1-3	4.4 4.3 41.2
theta103	62516;500	9.6-3 9.7-3 8.4-3	2.6 9.2 1:03
theta12	17979;600	9.5-3 4.1-3 8.8-3	10.3 5.8 52.4
MANN-a27	703;378	7.9-3 5.6-5 7.6-3	7.5 3.4 8.9
san200-0.7-1	5971;200	9.9-3 2.4-3 7.1-3	0.9 0.3 3.7
sanr200-0.7	6033;200	7.7-3 4.1-3 8.5-3	0.5 1.8 6.5

Table 3.2: The performance of ADMM, SDPLR, SPB on  $\theta$  problems (accuracy =  $10^{-2}$ ).

problem	$m_E; n_s$	$\eta$	time
		ADMM   SDPLR   SPB	ADMM   SDPLR   SPB
c-fat200-1	18367;200	9.6-3 4.9-3 4.5-3	0.4 1 2.1
hamming-8-4	11777;256	9.7-3 5.7-3 7.8-3	0.6 0.3 4.3
hamming-9-8	2305;512	9.9-3 3.8-5 6.4-3	21.1 0.7 1.9
hamming-10-2	23041;1024	9.1-3 7.5-4 3.4-3	30.6 3.2 48.9
hamming-7-5-6	1793;128	6.7-3 2.1-3 5.5-4	0.5 0 0.3
hamming-8-3-4	16129;256	9.9-3 1.4-3 1.4-3	1.1 0.2 3.8
hamming-9-5-6	53761;512	9.6-3 6.4-3 6.3-4	4.7 0.6 1.3
brock200-1	5067;200	9.7-3 5.0-3 9.6-3	0.6 1.1 5.7
brock200-4	6812;200	8.3-3 6.3-3 9.8-3	0.5 1.3 6.7
brock400-1	20078;400	9.4-3 6.2-3 9.7-3	2.8 3.5 15.8
keller4	5101;171	9.9-3 6.0-3 8.2-3	0.3 0.2 4.8
G43	9991;1000	9.9-3 1.9-3 8.7-3	1:07 9.9 52.4
G44	9991;1000	9.2-3 1.6-3 9.5-3	1:07 11.9 37.1
G45	9991;1000	9.4-3 2.2-3 9.0-3	1:12 7.7 37.2
G46	9991;1000	8.7-3 9.2-4 9.9-3	1:12 18.3 37.2
G47	9991;1000	9.0-3 2.1-3 9.0-3	1:07 10.8 36.6
G51	5910;1000	9.9-3 1.6-3 8.9-3	1:36 16.5 37.8
G52	5917;1000	9.9-3 2.0-3 9.5-3	1:33 15.8 42.1
G53	5915;1000	9.9-3 1.8-3 8.5-3	1:31 14.1 47.2
G54	5917;1000	9.8-3 1.3-3 9.9-3	1:33 16.2 28.8
1dc.128	1472;128	9.9-3 3.2-3 9.1-3	0.2 0.2 5.8
1et.128	673;128	9.0-3 2.3-3 7.6-3	0.3 0.4 8
1zc.128	1121;128	9.6-3 9.0-3 5.6-3	0.2 0.1 6.3
1dc.256	3840;256	9.5-3 2.6-3 8.5-3	1 0.4 6.7
1et.256	1665;256	9.8-3 2.2-3 9.3-3	1.2 4 3.8
1zc.256	2817;256	7.6-3 4.0-3 7.1-3	0.9 0.2 6.4
1dc.512	9728;512	8.9-3 4.0-3 9.8-3	6.7 1.1 27
1et.512	4033;512	9.8-3 2.5-3 9.2-3	9.6 2.4 15.2
2dc.512	54896;512	9.9-3 9.6-3 9.0-3	3.2 2.5 48.7
1dc.1024	24064;1024	9.0-3 4.9-3 8.8-3	38.4 4.6 1:02
1et.1024	9601;1024	9.4-3 3.0-3 9.5-3	51.7 15.2 53.1
2dc.1024	169163;1024	8.5-3 9.7-3 9.8-3	14.2 13.2 4:03

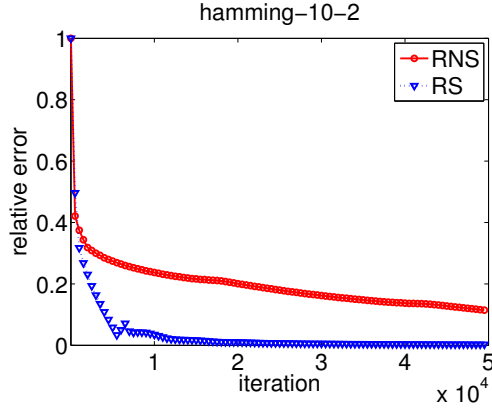


Figure 3.1: Performance of RNS and RS on problem 'hamming-10-2' with respect to iteration.

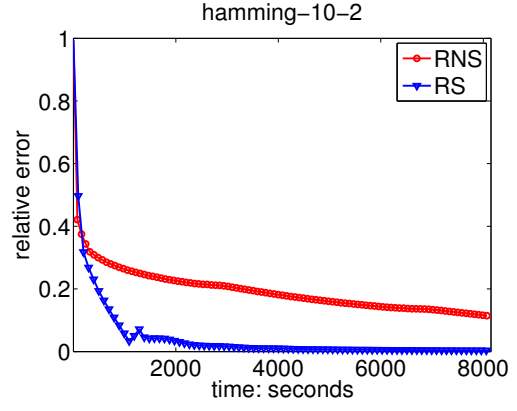


Figure 3.2: Performance of RNS and RS on problem 'hamming-10-2' with respect to time.

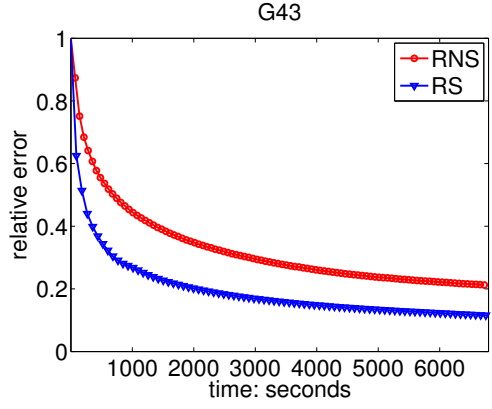


Figure 3.3: Performance of RNS and RS on problem 'G43'.

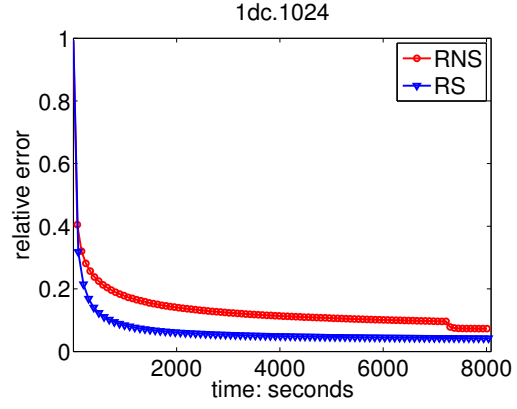


Figure 3.4: Performance of RNS and RS on problem '1dc.1024'.

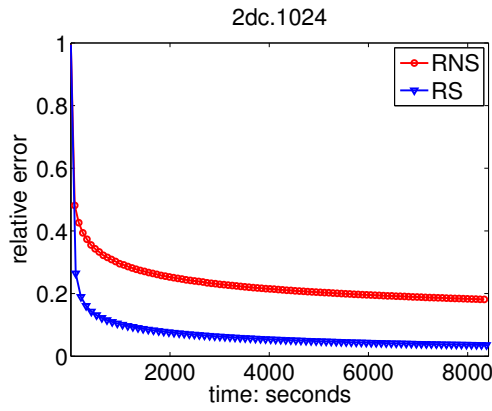


Figure 3.5: Performance of RNS and RS on problem '2dc.1024'.

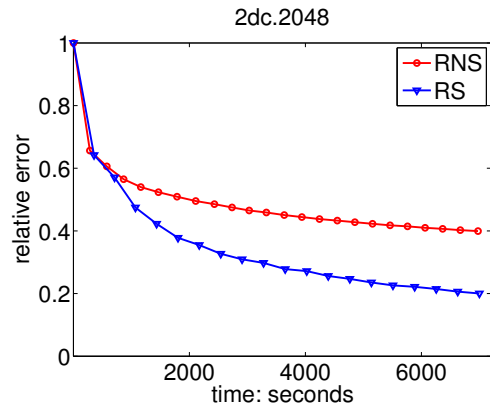


Figure 3.6: Performance of RNS and RS on problem '2dc.2048'.

Table 3.3: The performance of ADMM, SDPLR, SPB on  $\theta$  problems (accuracy =  $10^{-3}$ ).

problem	$m_E; n_s$	$\eta$	time
		ADMM   SDPLR   SPB	ADMM   SDPLR   SPB
theta4	1949;200	9.6-4 6.4-4 8.8-4	1.5 13.7 11.4
theta42	5986;200	8.8-4 1.3-4 8.2-4	1.2 11.6 19.3
theta6	4375;300	9.4-4 9.9-4 8.7-4	3.2 18.2 18.5
theta62	13390;300	9.9-4 3.5-4 9.9-4	2.4 34.9 32.1
theta8	7905;400	8.5-4 4.1-4 9.5-4	7.2 14 24.8
theta82	23872;400	9.6-4 2.7-4 7.8-4	5.6 39.8 1:03
theta10	12470;500	8.6-4 3.3-4 9.3-4	11.2 35.8 2:19
theta102	37467;500	9.5-4 5.0-4 9.6-4	8.4 5:04 1:48
theta103	62516;500	7.8-4 4.7-4 9.5-4	4.2 1:16 2:21
theta12	17979;600	9.2-4 1.8-4 8.4-4	16.2 57.1 1:56
MANN-a27	703;378	7.5-4 5.6-5 9.1-4	13.2 3.2 20.3
san200-0.7-1	5971;200	9.2-4 3.4-5 9.8-4	4.3 0.4 8.3
sanr200-0.7	6033;200	9.5-4 6.8-4 9.5-4	1.2 5.9 15.1
c-fat200-1	18367;200	7.7-4 2.4-4 8.4-4	1 2.2 5
hamming-8-4	11777;256	9.9-4 4.4-4 8.8-4	1.6 0.8 6.9
hamming-9-8	2305;512	9.9-3 3.8-5 8.0-4	54.8 0.7 4.4
hamming-10-2	23041;1024	6.5-4 2.2-4 2.3-4	1:15 4.8 1:14
hamming-7-5-6	1793;128	6.5-4 3.1-4 5.5-4	0.9 0.1 0.3
hamming-8-3-4	16129;256	9.8-4 3.9-4 3.0-5	2.3 0.4 4.7
hamming-9-5-6	53761;512	7.9-4 1.4-4 6.3-4	17.9 1 1.3
brock200-1	5067;200	9.7-4 4.9-4 9.2-4	1.2 8 14.5
brock200-4	6812;200	9.8-4 6.1-4 8.9-4	1.2 8 15.4
brock400-1	20078;400	9.7-4 4.5-4 9.4-4	5.6 1:25 41.9
keller4	5101;171	9.1-4 6.0-4 9.5-4	0.7 0.7 11.7
G43	9991;1000	8.9-4 1.4-4 9.4-4	2:03 2:14 2:10
G44	9991;1000	9.1-4 9.1-5 9.7-4	2:03 3:00 1:54
G45	9991;1000	9.2-4 7.6-5 9.2-4	2:04 1:36 1:53
G46	9991;1000	9.7-4 1.8-4 8.8-4	2:08 1:09 2:08
G47	9991;1000	9.6-4 9.9-4 9.6-4	1:49 1:52 1:54
G51	5910;1000	9.9-4 4.2-5 9.7-4	3:23 4:17 8:42
G52	5917;1000	9.9-4 9.9-4 9.5-4	3:28 4:24 6:26
G53	5915;1000	9.9-4 6.8-5 9.9-4	3:34 8:21 5:07
G54	5917;1000	9.9-4 5.5-5 9.9-4	4:49 2:03 4:49
1dc.128	1472;128	9.8-4 1.9-4 9.5-4	0.9 0.5 43

Table 3.3: The performance of ADMM, SDPLR, SPB on  $\theta$  problems (accuracy =  $10^{-3}$ ).

problem	$m_E; n_s$	$\eta$	time
		ADMM   SDPLR   SPB	ADMM   SDPLR   SPB
1et.128	673;128	9.4-4 2.8-4 2.5-4	0.6 0.5 35.3
1zc.128	1121;128	9.8-4 4.1-4 8.6-4	0.3 0.2 11.4
1dc.256	3840;256	9.9-4 4.5-4 9.2-4	2.6 5.8 1:03
1et.256	1665;256	9.8-4 3.0-4 9.7-4	2.3 5.2 31.3
1zc.256	2817;256	7.7-4 1.3-4 8.7-4	1.2 0.4 17.4
1dc.512	9728;512	9.9-4 5.6-4 9.9-4	15.8 3.4 4:24
1et.512	4033;512	9.8-4 1.3-4 9.8-4	18.1 17.4 5:34
2dc.512	54896;512	9.9-4 6.2-4 9.8-4	14 58.7 6:51
1dc.1024	24064;1024	9.9-4 3.1-4 9.9-4	1:43 20.8 8:48
1et.1024	9601;1024	9.6-4 9.9-4 9.8-4	1:40 2:30 31:16
2dc.1024	169163;1024	9.9-4 9.9-4 9.8-4	1:09 25.4 35:50

Table 3.4: The performance of ADMM, SDPLR, SPB on  $\theta$  problems (accuracy =  $10^{-4}$ ).

problem	$m_E; n_s$	$\eta$	time
		ADMM   SDPLR   SPB	ADMM   SDPLR   SPB
theta4	1949;200	8.5-5 9.9-5 9.1-5	1.8 14.7 25.2
theta42	5986;200	9.7-5 1.2-4 7.4-5	1.6 9.6 29.9
theta6	4375;300	8.5-5 9.9-5 9.8-5	4.8 1:04 35.5
theta62	13390;300	8.5-5 3.5-4 9.3-5	3.3 29.6 1:02
theta8	7905;400	8.5-5 4.1-4 9.3-5	9.1 11.5 42.7
theta82	23872;400	9.9-5 2.7-4 9.9-5	7.5 37 1:42
theta10	12470;500	9.3-5 3.3-4 8.9-5	15 32.3 4:13
theta102	37467;500	9.5-5 2.7-5 9.9-5	11.9 6:56 2:52
theta103	62516;500	8.9-5 4.6-4 9.6-5	5.5 1:14 6:27
theta12	17979;600	9.6-5 1.7-4 8.3-5	21.6 1:03 3:20
MANN-a27	703;378	8.6-5 9.8-5 9.8-5	21.7 3.4 34.5
sanr200-0.7-1	5971;200	9.4-5 9.8-5 7.8-5	10.8 0.7 22.8
sanr200-0.7	6033;200	8.1-5 6.8-4 9.8-5	2.8 8.5 27.4
c-fat200-1	18367;200	8.0-5 3.8-5 8.2-5	1.4 3.5 22.8
hamming-8-4	11777;256	9.6-5 6.3-5 8.1-5	2.1 1.5 16.3
hamming-9-8	2305;512	9.7-5 5.0-6 1.1-5	1:25 1.2 7.3

Table 3.4: The performance of ADMM, SDPLR, SPB on  $\theta$  problems (accuracy =  $10^{-4}$ ).

problem	$m_E; n_s$	$\eta$	time
		ADMM   SDPLR   SPB	ADMM   SDPLR   SPB
hamming-10-2	23041;1024	5.7-5 2.1-5 1.6-5	1:53 11.3 1:42
hamming-7-5-6	1793;128	8.9-5 8.8-5 4.8-6	1.2 0.1 0.7
hamming-8-3-4	16129;256	9.4-5 2.8-5 3.0-5	3 0.6 4.7
hamming-9-5-6	53761;512	9.9-5 9.4-5 7.1-6	40.4 1.2 2
brock200-1	5067;200	8.3-5 4.8-4 7.8-5	1.7 7.8 23.8
brock200-4	6812;200	9.9-5 6.1-4 8.8-5	1.7 6.8 29.2
brock400-1	20078;400	9.9-5 4.5-4 9.6-5	7.8 1:24 1:13
keller4	5101;171	9.9-5 6.2-5 9.7-5	1.1 1.8 24.1
G43	9991;1000	9.9-5 9.9-5 8.4-5	2:57 17:13 3:53
G44	9991;1000	9.7-5 9.9-5 9.8-5	3:03 3:23 3:31
G45	9991;1000	9.1-5 6.8-5 8.0-5	3:02 1:52 3:33
G46	9991;1000	9.7-5 9.9-5 9.9-5	3:02 17:20 3:33
G47	9991;1000	9.2-5 9.9-5 7.9-5	2:57 3:52 3:24
G51	5910;1000	9.9-5 9.9-5 3.4-4	5:52 14:01  2:59:29
G52	5917;1000	9.9-5 9.9-5 1.5-4	7:44 11:49  2:59:39
G53	5915;1000	9.9-5 9.9-5 3.0-4	7:14 14:20  2:59:43
G54	5917;1000	9.9-5 9.9-5 1.7-4	6:53 17:55  2:59:56
1dc.128	1472;128	9.9-5 9.9-5 9.6-5	1.6 2.7 1:52
1et.128	673;128	9.3-5 2.0-5 7.0-5	0.9 2 1:06
1zc.128	1121;128	9.6-5 9.9-5 6.1-5	0.5 4.3 37.1
1dc.256	3840;256	9.9-5 9.9-5 9.8-5	16 3:03 15:48
1et.256	1665;256	9.9-5 7.7-6 9.8-5	5.3 55.7 10:28
1zc.256	2817;256	8.3-5 3.0-5 9.9-5	1.8 2.3 47.4
1dc.512	9728;512	9.9-5 9.9-5 9.9-5	57.5 44.6  1:34:28
1et.512	4033;512	9.9-5 9.9-5 9.9-5	23.9 32.5 27:22
2dc.512	54896;512	9.9-5 9.9-5 9.9-5	33.1 5:55  2:36:40
1dc.1024	24064;1024	9.9-5 9.9-5 9.9-5	5:53 2:56  1:44:05
1et.1024	9601;1024	9.9-5 9.9-5 9.9-5	2:41 3:53  1:19:22
2dc.1024	169163;1024	9.9-5 9.9-5 2.4-4	3:09 42:27  2:59:56

Table 3.5: The performance of ADMM, SDPLR, SPB on  $\theta$  problems (accuracy =  $10^{-5}$ ).

problem	$m_E; n_s$	$\eta$	time
		ADMM   SDPLR   SPB	ADMM   SDPLR   SPB
theta4	1949;200	9.5-6 9.6-6 7.8-6	2.4 16.1 42.6
theta42	5986;200	9.6-6 1.2-4 9.7-6	2.1 9.8 40.9
theta6	4375;300	9.9-6 9.9-6 7.6-6	4.8 1:36 54.4
theta62	13390;300	8.1-6 3.5-4 7.9-6	4.3 37.7 1:26
theta8	7905;400	8.7-6 4.1-4 6.3-6	11.4 15.6 1:09
theta82	23872;400	8.4-6 2.7-4 6.9-6	9.6 45.3 2:23
theta10	12470;500	9.6-6 3.3-4 5.8-6	18.8 39.2 5:50
theta102	37467;500	9.9-6 2.7-5 9.2-6	14.8 11:21 3:44
theta103	62516;500	9.1-6 4.6-4 1.4-5	7.5 2:21 27:06
theta12	17979;600	7.4-6 1.7-4 8.3-6	27.8 2:07 5:30
MANN-a27	703;378	9.9-6 5.5-6 8.7-6	45.3 7 51.8
san200-0.7-1	5971;200	9.3-6 3.6-5 9.3-6	16.8 0.6 1:22
sanr200-0.7	6033;200	9.8-6 6.8-4 7.5-6	2.1 7.9 39.7
c-fat200-1	18367;200	8.7-6 3.3-6 9.5-6	1.8 13.1 53.7
hamming-8-4	11777;256	9.5-6 4.6-6 9.1-6	2.6 3.1 48.3
hamming-9-8	2305;512	9.8-6 1.3-6 2.9-6	1:51 1.4 10.7
hamming-10-2	23041;1024	7.4-6 3.2-6 4.5-6	2:32 17 2:13
hamming-7-5-6	1793;128	9.3-6 3.9-9 4.8-6	1.7 0.2 0.7
hamming-8-3-4	16129;256	9.8-6 7.2-6 6.6-6	3.7 1.2 6.7
hamming-9-5-6	53761;512	5.5-6 5.6-6 7.1-6	40.7 2.1 2
brock200-1	5067;200	7.9-6 4.8-4 8.3-6	2.2 13.3 35.7
brock200-4	6812;200	9.9-6 6.1-4 9.7-6	2.1 11.5 46.2
brock400-1	20078;400	9.8-6 4.5-4 9.8-6	9.7 1:50 1:52
keller4	5101;171	9.6-6 4.7-6 8.7-6	1.3 12.8 47.6
1dc.128	1472;128	9.9-6 1.2-7 9.9-6	5.9 2:26 20:10
1et.128	673;128	8.2-6 8.7-6 8.5-6	1.1 1.8 2:17
1zc.128	1121;128	9.7-6 6.4-8 3.8-6	0.7 2.5 1:11
1dc.256	3840;256	9.3-6 9.9-6 9.0-6	45.9 2:10 16:42
1et.256	1665;256	9.9-6 9.9-6 9.9-6	10.9 4:27 33:26
1zc.256	2817;256	9.6-6 2.6-6 8.8-6	2.1 7.6 2:43
1dc.512	9728;512	9.9-6 4.5-6 5.1-5	2:15 6:17  2:59:58
1et.512	4033;512	9.9-6 9.9-6 7.7-5	1:16 1:44  2:59:52
2dc.512	54896;512	9.9-6 5.6-5 9.1-5	2:35 40:01  2:59:44
1dc.1024	24064;1024	9.9-6 1.1-6 6.2-5	7:46 22:18  2:59:59

Table 3.5: The performance of ADMM, SDPLR, SPB on  $\theta$  problems (accuracy =  $10^{-5}$ ).

		$\eta$	time
problem	$m_E; n_s$	ADMM   SDPLR   SPB	ADMM   SDPLR   SPB
1et.1024	9601;1024	9.9-6 9.9-7  <b>3.9-5</b>	8:41 24:52  2:59:25
2dc.1024	169163;1024	9.9-6 9.9-6  <b>2.4-4</b>	8:50  1:55:11  2:59:56

All of the three methods can solve all the test examples to accuracy of  $10^{-3}$ . Figure 3.7 and Figure 3.8 show the performance profiles of ADMM, SDPLR and SPB for the tested problems listed in Table 3.2 and Table 3.3 with  $\eta < 10^{-2}, 10^{-3}$ , respectively. We recall that the point  $(x, y)$  in the performance profile curve of a method indicates that it can solve  $(100y)\%$  of all the tested problems at most  $x$  times slower than any other methods. It can be seen that both ADMM and SDPLR outperform SPB in terms of computation time. For  $\eta < 10^{-2}$ , SDPLR is the most efficient one for more than 60% tested problems. For  $\eta < 10^{-3}$ , we can observe that ADMM and SDPLR have similar performance and ADMM outperforms SDPLR slightly.

It can be observed from Table 3.4 and 3.5, all the tested problems can be solved to the required accuracy by ADMM, while there exist several problems that can not be solved to the required accuracy by SDPLR and SPB. For  $\eta < 10^{-4}$ , SDPLR and SPB can not solve 11 and 5 problems, respectively. For  $\eta < 10^{-5}$ , SDPLR and SPB can not solve 14 and 7 problems, respectively. Figure 3.9 and Figure 3.10 show the performance profiles of ADMM, SDPLR and SPB for the tested problems listed in Table 3.4 and Table 3.5, respectively. It can be seen that ADMM outperforms both SDPLR and SPB by a significant margin.

**Remark 3.11.** From the numerical results, we can conclude that both ADMM and SDPLR are very competitive in solving standard linear SDP problems to a low accuracy ( $10^{-2}, 10^{-3}$ ). If higher accuracy ( $10^{-4}, 10^{-5}$ ) is desired, ADMM seems to be more efficient than the other first methods being tested. We observe that for  $\eta < 10^{-4}$  and  $\eta < 10^{-5}$ , there are problems can not be solved by SDPLR and



SPB. For the SPB, in the numerical experiments, we limit the bundle size to be at most  $\min(100, \lceil \sqrt{2m} \rceil)$ . If we use bigger bundle size, then perhaps the required accuracy can be obtained, while it would take more time in solving the QSDP subproblems. For the SDPLR, we scale the data before computing, we let  $b_{new} = b/\|b\|$  and  $C_{new} = C/\|C\|$ . Note that different scaling may give slightly different results, while in general, SDPLR is efficient in decreasing the primal infeasibility but have difficulties in decreasing the cone infeasibility of  $S$  when the required accuracy is  $\eta < 10^{-4}$  or  $10^{-5}$ . In applications, if only an approximate primal solution is needed, then one can consider using SDPLR. Noticing that we want to have both approximate primal and dual solutions with moderate accuracy, ADMM seems to be a better choice.

From the numerical experiments on standard linear SDP problems, it can be observed that for most of the test instances, ADMM and SDPLR outperform SPB. Hence, in our next numerical example, we only compare SDPLR and ADMM+ [72] on the following doubly nonnegative SDP (DNN-SDP) problems:

$$\min \{ \langle C, X \rangle \mid \mathcal{A}X = b, X \in \mathcal{S}_+^n \cap \mathcal{N} \}, \quad (3.46)$$

where  $\mathcal{N} := \{X \in \mathcal{S}^n : X \geq 0\}$ . Its dual takes the following form:

$$\max \{ \langle b, y \rangle \mid Z + \mathcal{A}^*y + S = C, S \in \mathcal{S}_+^n, Z \in \mathcal{N} \}. \quad (3.47)$$

SDPLR is applied to the primal problem (3.46) and ADMM+ is applied to the dual problem (3.47). The test examples are from the SDP relaxation of binary integer nonconvex quadratic (BIQ) programming, which takes the form of following:

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \frac{1}{2} \langle Q, X_0 \rangle + \langle c, x \rangle \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \text{diag}(X_0) - x = 0, \quad \alpha = 1, \\ & X = \begin{pmatrix} X_0 & x \\ x^T & \alpha \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{S}_+^n, \quad X \in \mathcal{N}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.48)$$

We use the following relative residual to measure the accuracy:

$$\eta = \max\{\eta_P, \eta_D, \eta_K, \eta_N, \eta_{K^*}, \eta_{N^*}, \eta_{C_1}, \eta_{C_2}\},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}\eta_P &= \frac{\|\mathcal{A}X - b\|}{1 + \|b\|}, \quad \eta_D = \frac{\|\mathcal{A}^*y + S - C\|}{1 + \|C\|}, \quad \eta_K = \frac{\|\Pi_{\mathcal{S}_+^n}(-X)\|}{1 + \|X\|}, \\ \eta_{K^*} &= \frac{\|\Pi_{\mathcal{S}_+^n}(-S)\|}{1 + \|S\|}, \quad \eta_{\mathcal{N}} = \frac{\|\Pi_{\mathcal{N}}(-X)\|}{1 + \|X\|}, \quad \eta_{\mathcal{N}^*} = \frac{\|\Pi_{\mathcal{N}^*}(-Z)\|}{1 + \|Z\|}, \\ \eta_{C_1} &= \frac{|\langle X, S \rangle|}{1 + \|X\| + \|S\|}, \quad \eta_{C_2} = \frac{|\langle X, Z \rangle|}{1 + \|X\| + \|Z\|}.\end{aligned}$$

Let  $\eta_1 := \max(\eta_P, \eta_{\mathcal{N}})$ . For ADMM+, we use the MATLAB code by Yang et al [72]. We terminate ADMM+ when  $\eta < \epsilon$  and terminate SDPLR when  $\eta_1 < \epsilon$ , or when the computational time reaches 3 hours. We do not use the same stopping criteria since we have observed that SDPLR always has difficulty in reducing the cone infeasibility  $\eta_{K^*}$  for these DNN-SDP test examples. We can hardly expect the problems to be solved to the accuracy of  $\eta < 10^{-3}$  by SDPLR. Table 3.6 and 3.7 report the detailed numerical results of ADMM+, SDPLR in solving (3.48) with  $\epsilon = 10^{-3}, 10^{-5}$ , respectively. The primal infeasibility  $\eta_P$  and the cone infeasibility  $\eta_{K^*}$  are listed in the second column of the tables. Note that ADMM+ can solve all the problems to the accuracy of  $\eta < 10^{-5}$ . Despite the fact that we only require  $\eta_1 < \epsilon$ , it can be observed from Table 3.6 and 3.7 that SDPLR always needs more than 20 times of computational time compared with ADMM+, which, indicates that ADMM+ is much more effective than SDPLR in handling numerous inequality constraints.

Table 3.6: The performance of ADMM+ and SDPLR on BIQ problems (accuracy =  $10^{-3}$ ).

		$\eta_P; \eta_{K^*}$	time
problem	$m_E; n_s$	ADMM+   SDPLR	ADMM+   SDPLR
be200.8.1	201;201	4.2-14; 6.1-6 1.8-4; <b>5.2-3</b>	11.1 4:54
be200.8.2	201;201	1.4-13; 1.1-5 2.8-4; <b>5.8-3</b>	7.9 3:30
be200.8.3	201;201	6.5-14; 3.3-6 2.3-4; <b>5.8-3</b>	9.5 6:13
be200.8.4	201;201	8.9-15; 1.0-5 3.3-4; <b>6.5-3</b>	10.2 4:22
be200.8.5	201;201	1.5-13; 1.0-5 2.8-4; <b>6.5-3</b>	8.5 5:44
be200.8.6	201;201	1.2-14; 9.2-6 1.9-4; <b>5.5-3</b>	12.4 4:35
be200.8.7	201;201	1.1-13; 5.6-6 4.2-4; <b>4.9-3</b>	10.8 5:37
be200.8.8	201;201	9.5-15; 1.0-5 1.5-4; <b>5.5-3</b>	10 4:06

Table 3.6: The performance of ADMM+ and SDPLR on BIQ problems (accuracy =  $10^{-3}$ ).

		$\eta_P; \eta_{\mathcal{K}^*}$	time
problem	$m_E; n_s$	ADMM+   SDPLR	ADMM+   SDPLR
be200.8.9	201;201	1.5-13; 2.9-6 2.8-4; <b>6.2-3</b>	9.1 5:06
be200.8.10	201;201	3.6-14; 5.4-6 3.5-4; <b>5.8-3</b>	9.7 6:34
be250.1	251;251	4.1-14; 6.5-6 4.5-4; <b>5.5-3</b>	18.9 14:33
be250.2	251;251	8.6-14; 4.2-6 2.3-4; <b>5.8-3</b>	18.8 8:09
be250.3	251;251	2.0-14; 6.1-6 1.4-4; <b>6.1-3</b>	19.4 9:53
be250.4	251;251	8.3-14; 1.0-6 2.1-4; <b>5.4-3</b>	20.3 11:08
be250.5	251;251	3.6-14; 4.6-6 3.1-4; <b>6.4-3</b>	14.8 8:41
be250.6	251;251	1.1-14; 8.4-6 3.3-4; <b>5.9-3</b>	18.3 14:05
be250.7	251;251	1.1-14; 7.5-6 3.1-4; <b>5.9-3</b>	20 13:07
be250.8	251;251	1.1-14; 7.9-6 2.3-4; <b>5.0-3</b>	19.7 12:59
be250.9	251;251	4.5-14; 6.8-6 1.5-4; <b>7.4-3</b>	15.9 12:45
be250.10	251;251	1.1-14; 7.8-6 1.1-4; <b>5.3-3</b>	19.7 10:43
bqp500-1	501;501	1.7-13; 4.0-6 6.7-4; <b>2.7-3</b>	3:07  2:48:56
bqp500-2	501;501	1.2-14; 3.8-6 5.0-4; <b>7.7-3</b>	3:34  1:50:11
bqp500-3	501;501	9.2-14; 8.6-7 2.5-4; <b>2.4-3</b>	3:21  2:51:48
bqp500-4	501;501	9.6-15; 3.9-6 1.6-4; <b>2.1-3</b>	3:38  2:29:47
bqp500-5	501;501	1.7-13; 2.6-6 3.9-4; <b>2.6-3</b>	3:20  2:40:18
bqp500-6	501;501	1.2-14; 4.1-6 1.9-4; <b>2.9-3</b>	3:38  1:37:50
bqp500-7	501;501	9.2-15; 4.1-6  <b>7.6-3</b> ; <b>2.9-3</b>	3:33  3:00:01
bqp500-8	501;501	1.0-14; 4.0-6  <b>1.9-3</b> ; <b>2.0-3</b>	3:31  3:00:01
bqp500-9	501;501	8.2-14; 1.1-6 2.1-4; <b>2.4-3</b>	3:20  2:34:25
bqp500-10	501;501	1.2-13; 1.4-6  <b>7.6-3</b> ; <b>2.6-3</b>	3:37  3:00:01

Table 3.7: The performance of ADMM+ and SDPLR on BIQ problems (accuracy =  $10^{-5}$ ).

		$\eta_P; \eta_{\mathcal{K}^*}$	time
problem	$m_E; n_s$	ADMM+   SDPLR	ADMM+   SDPLR
be200.8.1	201;201	4.1-14; 3.5-8 1.1-6; <b>5.3-3</b>	36.2 34:02
be200.8.2	201;201	9.1-14; 8.0-8 7.3-6; <b>5.6-3</b>	28.6 11:16
be200.8.3	201;201	1.8-14; 5.4-8 1.3-6; <b>6.0-3</b>	32.1 25:39
be200.8.4	201;201	1.0-13; 2.7-8 3.9-6; <b>6.6-3</b>	23.6 16:16
be200.8.5	201;201	1.5-13; 7.6-8 1.5-6; <b>6.7-3</b>	28.5 39:39

Table 3.7: The performance of ADMM+ and SDPLR on BIQ problems (accuracy =  $10^{-5}$ ).

problem	$m_E; n_s$	$\eta_P; \eta_{K^*}$	time
		ADMM+   SDPLR	ADMM+   SDPLR
be200.8.6	201;201	5.1-15; 8.7-8 6.9-7; <b>5.7-3</b>	28.5 24:07
be200.8.7	201;201	7.7-14; 8.9-9 2.2-6; <b>5.2-3</b>	22.5 12:26
be200.8.8	201;201	1.6-13; 2.5-8 9.8-7; <b>5.6-3</b>	28.3 23:08
be200.8.9	201;201	1.1-13; 8.5-8 3.0-6; <b>6.4-3</b>	28.6 26:08
be200.8.10	201;201	2.7-13; 8.4-8 7.1-7; <b>5.9-3</b>	28.1 21:51
be250.1	251;251	3.1-13; 1.4-7 1.4-6; <b>5.6-3</b>	44 54:16
be250.2	251;251	2.1-14; 9.4-8 1.3-6; <b>6.2-3</b>	41.4 27:58
be250.3	251;251	2.2-14; 9.8-8 1.4-6; <b>6.0-3</b>	36.8 48:41
be250.4	251;251	6.6-14; 4.9-8 2.7-6; <b>5.6-3</b>	41.5 34:57
be250.5	251;251	1.7-13; 5.4-8 2.1-6; <b>6.7-3</b>	34.7 31:27
be250.6	251;251	2.3-14; 9.7-8 2.7-6; <b>6.0-3</b>	34.3 34:08
be250.7	251;251	2.9-13; 1.0-7 2.9-6; <b>5.9-3</b>	37.7  1:08:35
be250.8	251;251	1.8-14; 8.5-8 2.7-6; <b>5.0-3</b>	33.9 54:29
be250.9	251;251	7.9-14; 1.3-7 2.4-6; <b>8.0-3</b>	38.7 34:40
be250.10	251;251	3.1-13; 1.3-7 1.4-6; <b>5.3-3</b>	32.8 38:49

### 3.3.2 The approximate semismooth Newton-CG augmented Lagrangian method for standard linear SDP problems

In this subsection, we report the numerical results for the approximate semismooth Newton-CG augmented Lagrangian method for standard linear SDP problems. In our numerical experiments, the problems we test are from SDP relaxations for rank-1 tensor approximations (R1TA) [51]:

$$\max \{ \langle f, y \rangle \mid M(y) \in \mathcal{S}_+^n, \langle g, y \rangle = 1 \}, \quad (3.49)$$

where  $y \in \mathcal{R}^{\mathbb{N}_m^n}$ ,  $M(y)$  is a linear pencil in  $y$ . The dual is given by

$$\min \{ \gamma \mid \gamma g - f = M^*(X), X \in \mathcal{S}_+^n \}. \quad (3.50)$$

Problem (3.50) can be transformed into a standard SDP (up to a constant) [50] :

$$\min \{ \langle C, X \rangle \mid \mathcal{A}(X) = b, X \in \mathcal{S}_+^n \}, \quad (3.51)$$

where  $C \in \mathcal{S}^n$  is a constant matrix and  $\mathcal{A}$  is a linear map which depend on  $M, f, g$ .

In [85], it is shown that on R1TA problems, the semismooth Newton-CG augmented Lagrangian method outperforms the first order methods ADMM+ [72], SDPAD [84] and 2EBD [44]. For the large instance ‘nonsym(21, 4)’, SDPNAL+ can solve it to the accuracy of  $10^{-6}$  within 15 hours while the other three first order methods can not solve it to the required accuracy within 99 hours. SDPAD and 2EBD can only obtain the accuracy of  $10^{-2}$  and ADMM+ can obtain the accuracy of  $10^{-3}$ . Noticing this fact, we only compare the approximate semismooth Newton-CG augmented Lagrangian (ASNCG) method with SDPNAL+. All our computational results reported in this subsection are obtained by running MATLAB on a PC with 24 GB memory, 2.80GHz quad-core CPU.

Table 3.8 reports detailed numerical results for SDPNAL+ and our proposed ASNCG based augmented Lagrangian method. In the first column, the problem name, dimension of the variable and number of linear equality constraints are listed. In the second column, we give the number of iterations, the total number of iterations for solving inner subproblems and the number of iterations of ADMM for calculating an initial point. For all the test examples, we use the same initial point for SDPNAL+ and ASNCG, thus ‘itA’ are the same. In the third column, we list the accuracy which we obtain when the algorithms terminate. In the fourth column, we give the relative gap

$$\eta_{gap} := \frac{\langle C, X \rangle - \langle b, y \rangle}{1 + |\langle C, X \rangle| + |\langle b, y \rangle|}.$$

In the last column, the computation time of the algorithms are presented.

It can be observed from the numerical results that ASNCG generally would not increase the total number of iterations in solving subproblems. When  $n$  is not too big ( $n \leq 6,000$ ), ASNCG and SDPNAL+ have similar performance. Both of them

can obtain a high accuracy efficiently. For the three large examples ( $n \geq 8,000$ ), namely ‘nonsym(20,4)’, ‘nonsym(21,4)’ and ‘nonsym(10,5)’, ASNCG can reduce about half of the computational time compared with SDPNAL+, which indicates that our proposed algorithm ASNCG is very effective and is useful in dealing with large scale linear SDP problems.

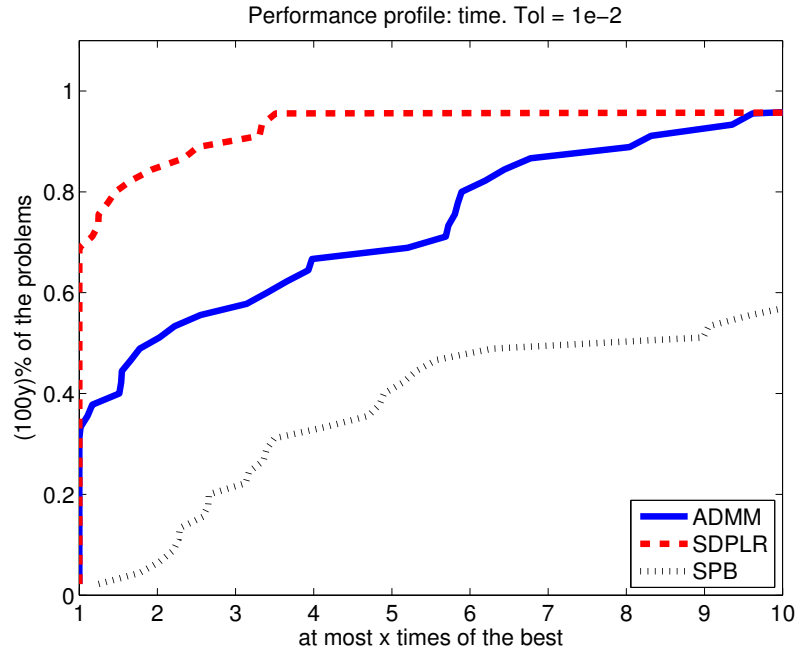


Figure 3.7: Performance profiles of ADMM, SDPLR, and SPB on  $[1, 10]$ ,  $\eta < 10^{-2}$

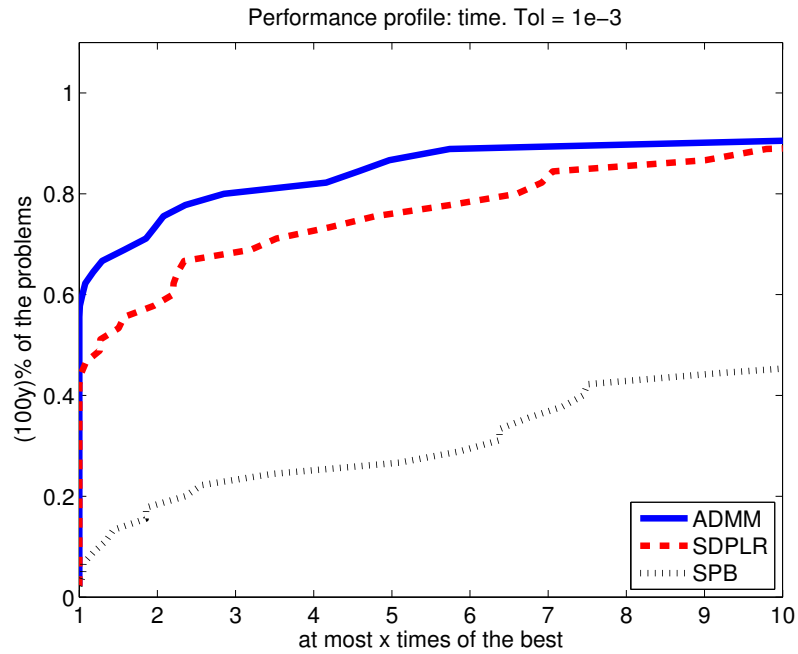


Figure 3.8: Performance profiles of ADMM, SDPLR, and SPB on  $[1, 10]$ ,  $\eta < 10^{-3}$

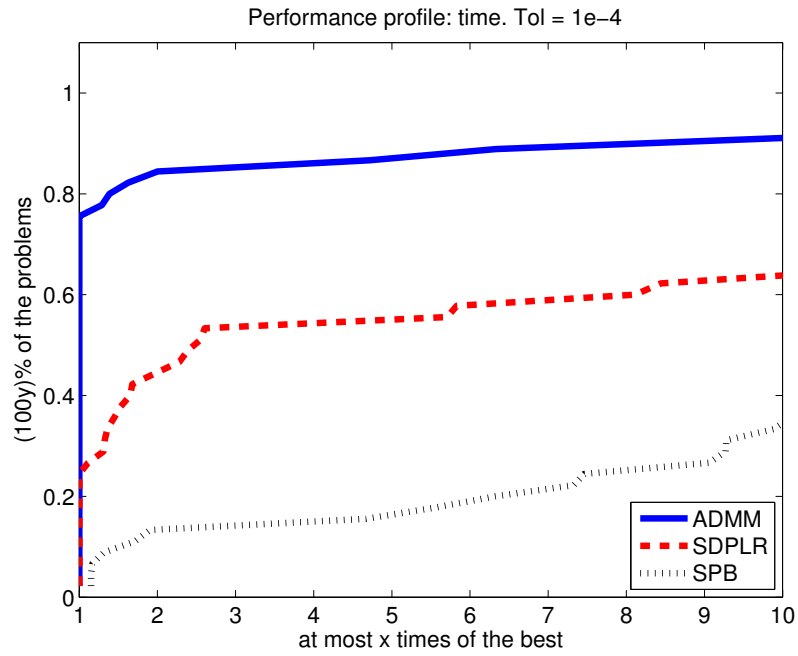


Figure 3.9: Performance profiles of ADMM, SDPLR, and SPB on  $[1, 10]$ ,  $\eta < 10^{-4}$

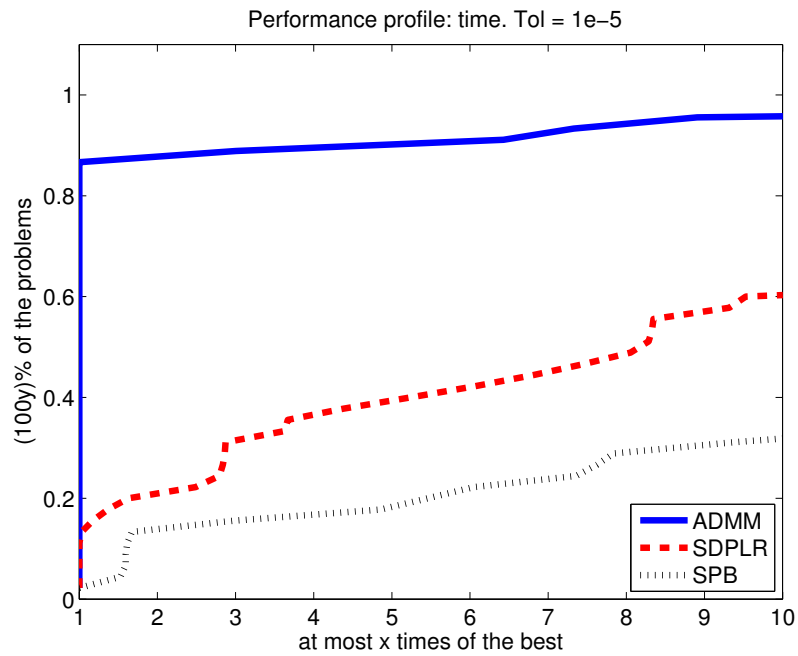


Figure 3.10: Performance profiles of ADMM, SDPLR, and SPB on  $[1, 10]$ ,  $\eta < 10^{-5}$



Table 3.8: The performance of ASNCG and SDPNAL+ on R1TA problems (accuracy =  $10^{-6}$ ).

problem	$m_E; n_s$	It ; Itsb ; Ita	$\eta$	$\eta_{gap}$	time
nonsym(5,4)	3374;125	SDPNAL+   ASNCG 12; 15; 50   11; 16; 50	SDPNAL+   ASNCG 3.0-7 1.5-7	SDPNAL+   ASNCG <b>-2.6-6 1.1-6</b>	0.7 0.7
nonsym(6,4)	9260;216	9; 13; 50   9; 14; 50	2.6-7 3.9-7	<b>3.1-6 3.9-6</b>	1.3 1.1
nonsym(7,4)	21951;343	8; 14; 50   11; 16; 50	1.4-7 5.3-8	<b>1.5-6 7.4-7</b>	2.8 2.9
nonsym(8,4)	46655;512	11; 14; 50   11; 19; 50	1.1-7 1.4-7	<b>2.1-6 1.1-6</b>	6.5 7.2
nonsym(9,4)	91124;729	13; 16; 50   13; 20; 50	7.1-8 4.7-8	<b>1.1-6 4.8-7</b>	12.5 14
nonsym(10,4)	166374;1000	14; 24; 50   13; 23; 50	2.3-8 9.8-7	5.3-7  <b>2.3-5</b>	46.7 43.2
nonsym(11,4)	287495;1331	16; 26; 50   15; 26; 50	3.7-8 4.8-8	<b>1.1-6 1.4-6</b>	1:26 1:13
nonsym(3,5)	1295;81	10; 16;146   15; 24;146	6.7-7 2.1-7	<b>-3.4-6 1.4-7</b>	0.8 1
nonsym(4,5)	9999;256	14; 60; 50   5; 14; 50	8.4-7 7.0-7	<b>6.2-6 8.1-6</b>	5.8 1.9
nonsym(5,5)	50624;625	7; 39; 50   7; 43; 50	1.3-7 3.8-7	<b>2.7-6 3.2-6</b>	28.1 30.4
nonsym(6,5)	194480;1296	20; 74; 50   14; 47; 50	2.7-7 2.0-8	<b>8.2-6 5.1-7</b>	4:08 2:14
sym_rd(3,20)	10625;231	16; 43; 41   10; 12; 41	7.3-7 5.0-7	<b>-1.0-5 6.8-6</b>	3.6 1.4
sym_rd(3,25)	23750;351	14; 19; 50   16; 29; 50	9.2-7 2.0-7	5.3-7 8.0-8	4.9 5.5
sym_rd(3,30)	46375;496	11; 15; 50   11; 18; 50	6.8-7 1.6-7	<b>-1.2-5 2.4-7</b>	9.5 10.4
sym_rd(3,35)	82250;666	16; 30; 81   21; 33; 81	4.0-7 9.2-8	<b>-9.7-6 1.0-7</b>	33.5 32.3
sym_rd(3,40)	135750;861	13; 13;100   10; 15;100	2.7-7 9.4-7	<b>7.4-6 6.1-6</b>	39.6 40
sym_rd(3,45)	211875;1081	15; 18; 97   16; 24; 97	6.7-7 8.6-8	<b>2.1-5 7.1-7</b>	1:15 1:19
sym_rd(3,50)	316250;1326	15; 20;100   15; 23;100	2.2-7 4.0-7	<b>-7.4-6 8.6-6</b>	1:59 2:08
sym_rd(4,20)	8854;210	13; 17; 50   14; 17; 50	7.1-8 7.0-7	<b>-8.0-7 8.1-6</b>	1.3 1.2
sym_rd(4,25)	20474;325	12; 15;100   15; 22;100	4.5-7 6.2-7	<b>-7.4-6 1.2-5</b>	5.2 5.8
sym_rd(4,30)	40919;465	11; 18; 87   11; 19; 87	6.0-8 2.4-7	<b>-4.8-7 2.0-6</b>	14 15.3
sym_rd(4,35)	73814;630	15; 34; 87   15; 34; 87	6.1-8 6.2-8	<b>-8.8-7 8.8-7</b>	36.2 36.4

Table 3.8: The performance of ASNCG and SDPNAL+ on R1TA problems (accuracy =  $10^{-6}$ ).

problem	$m_E; n_s$	It ; Itsub ; ItA	$\eta$	$\eta_{gap}$	time
sym_rd(4,40)	123409;820	SDPNAL+   ASNCG 24; 46; 86   24; 46; 86	SDPNAL+   ASNCG 6.2-7 6.2-7	SDPNAL+   ASNCG <b>-9.2-6 9.2-6</b>	SDPNAL+   ASNCG 1:17 1:19
sym_rd(4,45)	194579;1035	20; 43; 90   18; 40; 90	8.4-7 9.5-7	<b>-1.5-5 -1.7-5</b>	1:56 1:52
sym_rd(4,50)	292824;1275	20; 44; 91   20; 44; 91	8.5-7 8.5-7	<b>-1.7-5 -1.7-5</b>	2:54 3:01
sym_rd(5,5)	461;56	9; 9; 50   10; 11; 50	8.3-7 7.0-7	<b>-6.0-6 4.7-6</b>	0.2 0.3
sym_rd(5,10)	8007;286	8; 10; 72   9; 10; 72	9.0-8 6.7-7	<b>-1.2-6 9.5-6</b>	1.9 1.9
sym_rd(5,15)	54263;816	13; 31; 50   17; 47; 50	2.9-7 5.2-7	<b>-4.2-6 1.3-5</b>	1:07 1:28
sym_rd(5,20)	230229;1771	14; 28; 50   17; 84; 50	2.3-7 8.6-7	<b>-4.0-6 -1.3-5</b>	4:33 9:28
sym_rd(6,5)	209;35	8; 8; 50   8; 8; 50	4.8-7 4.8-7	<b>-1.3-6 -1.3-6</b>	0.2 0.1
sym_rd(6,10)	5004;220	13; 14; 50   14; 19; 50	7.3-7 1.1-7	<b>2.0-5 1.2-6</b>	1.3 1.4
sym_rd(6,15)	38759;680	13; 36; 50   13; 39; 50	3.5-8 2.4-8	6.3-7 8.8-8	47.3 54.3
sym_rd(6,20)	177099;1540	30; 108; 50   28; 105; 50	3.3-8 3.7-8	5.2-7 -2.0-7	16:51 19:04
nsym_rd([10,10,10])	3024;100	7; 7; 50   7; 7; 50	5.2-7 4.1-7	<b>3.5-6 2.5-6</b>	0.3 0.3
nsym_rd([15,15,15])	14399;225	11; 12; 50   11; 12; 50	1.1-7 3.9-7	<b>1.2-6 3.2-6</b>	1.4 1.4
nsym_rd([20,20,20])	44099;400	15; 18; 50   17; 25; 50	2.3-7 5.8-8	<b>3.8-6 4.0-7</b>	6.6 7.8
nsym_rd([20,25,25])	68249;500	19; 27; 81   18; 28; 81	2.0-7 1.0-7	<b>-3.5-6 1.7-6</b>	17.6 19.4
nsym_rd([25,20,25])	68249;500	11; 14; 86   13; 22; 86	4.7-7 5.1-8	<b>8.8-6 4.5-7</b>	13.1 15.4
nsym_rd([25,25,20])	68249;500	9; 9; 100   9; 10; 100	7.1-7 8.7-7	<b>1.1-5 -3.3-6</b>	10.3 9.5
nsym_rd([25,25,25])	105624;625	15; 24; 100   14; 30; 100	3.8-7 2.9-7	<b>-7.7-6 -2.6-6</b>	31.9 34.7
nsym_rd([30,30,30])	216224;900	14; 27; 100   19; 30; 100	7.0-7 2.4-7	<b>1.8-5 6.1-6</b>	1:13 1:14
nsym_rd([35,35,35])	396899;1225	26; 28; 161   21; 35; 161	8.4-8 2.4-7	<b>2.6-6 2.5-6</b>	3:01 3:05
nsym_rd([40,40,40])	672399;1600	13; 27; 50   13; 26; 50	1.3-7 7.8-7	<b>4.0-6 2.6-5</b>	3:36 3:37
nsym_rd([5,5,5,5])	3374;125	9; 9; 100   11; 13; 100	5.7-7 5.0-8	<b>3.2-6 3.8-7</b>	0.7 0.8

Table 3.8: The performance of ASNCG and SDPNAL+ on R1TA problems (accuracy =  $10^{-6}$ ).

problem	$m_E; n_s$	It ; Itsb ; ItA	$\eta$	$\eta_{gap}$	time
nsym_rd([6,6,6,6])	9260;216	SDPNAL+   ASNCG 12; 19;100   10; 14;100	3.6-7 5.1-7	SDPNAL+   ASNCG <span style="color: red;">4.2-6</span>  - <span style="color: blue;">5.2-6</span>	2.2 1.7
nsym_rd([7,7,7,7])	21951;343	12; 14; 50   12; 15; 50	2.3-7 3.7-7	<span style="color: red;">3.7-6</span>  - <span style="color: blue;">4.6-6</span>	2.2 2.3
nsym_rd([8,8,8,8])	46655;512	15; 18; 50   15; 17; 50	5.8-7 6.2-7	<span style="color: red;">-1.0-5</span>  - <span style="color: blue;">4.9-6</span>	12.1 10.2
nsym_rd([9,9,9,9])	91124;729	18; 32; 50   15; 45; 50	7.7-8 3.2-7	<span style="color: red;">1.7-6</span>  - <span style="color: blue;">1.6-6</span>	35.4 39.5
nonsym(12,4)	474551;1728	16; 34; 50   16; 38; 50	3.5-9 1.0-8	5.7-8 2.5-7	3:35 3:01
nonsym(13,4)	753570;2197	17; 34; 50   18; 52; 50	3.4-9 6.1-9	4.8-8 -9.9-9	5:15 6:30
nonsym(7,5)	614655;2401	15; 27; 50   14; 32; 50	1.9-7 4.9-8	<span style="color: blue;">8.2-6</span>  -7.8-8	5:01 4:52
nonsym(8,5)	1679615;4096	20; 34; 50   22; 70; 50	7.1-8 8.4-7	<span style="color: red;">-4.1-6</span>  - <span style="color: blue;">4.3-5</span>	27:06 28:33
<b>nonsym(20,4)</b>	9260999;8000	24; 44; 50   22; 44; 50	2.2-9 9.0-9	4.9-8 -5.6-7	3:10:30  1:50:36
<b>nonsym(21,4)</b>	12326390;9261	26; 48; 50   22; 45; 50	6.7-7 2.8-7	<span style="color: red;">6.3-5</span>  - <span style="color: blue;">2.5-5</span>	5:42:33  3:03:19
<b>nonsym(10,5)</b>	9150624;10000	29; 65; 50   21; 54; 50	8.2-7 8.2-7	<span style="color: red;">6.4-5</span>  - <span style="color: blue;">6.3-5</span>	9:47:46  4:52:01



Chapter

4

## Convex composite conic programming problems with nonlinear constraints

In this chapter, we focus on solving the convex composite conic programming problems with nonlinear constraints proposed in Chapter 1. Recall that the general nonlinearly constrained convex composite conic programming problem is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \theta(x) + f(x) + \frac{1}{2}\langle x, \mathcal{Q}x \rangle + \langle c, x \rangle \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \mathcal{A}_E x = b_E, \quad \mathcal{A}_I x - b_I \in \mathcal{C}, \quad g(x) \in \mathcal{K}, \end{aligned} \tag{4.1}$$

where  $\theta : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow (-\infty, +\infty]$  and  $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow (-\infty, +\infty]$  are two closed proper convex functions,  $\mathcal{Q} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  is a self-adjoint positive semidefinite linear operator,  $\mathcal{A}_E : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_E$ ,  $\mathcal{A}_I : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_I$  are two linear maps,  $g : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_g$  is a nonlinear smooth map,  $c \in \mathcal{X}$  and  $b_E \in \mathcal{Y}_E$ ,  $b_I \in \mathcal{Y}_I$  are given data,  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{Y}_I$ ,  $\mathcal{K} \subseteq \mathcal{Y}_g$  are two closed convex cones. The spaces  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{Y}_E$ ,  $\mathcal{Y}_I$ ,  $\mathcal{Y}_g$  are all real finite dimensional Euclidean spaces. Each of them is equipped with an inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  and its induced norm  $\|\cdot\|$ .

The adjoints of  $\mathcal{A}_E$  and  $\mathcal{A}_I$  are denoted as  $\mathcal{A}_E^*$  and  $\mathcal{A}_I^*$ , respectively. In the subsequent discussions, for notational simplicity, we define the linear operator  $\mathcal{A}$  and its adjoint map  $\mathcal{A}^*$  by

$$\mathcal{A}x := \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{A}_E x \\ \mathcal{A}_I x \end{pmatrix}, \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{X}, \quad \mathcal{A}^*y := \mathcal{A}_E^*y_E + \mathcal{A}_I^*y_I, \quad \forall y \in \mathcal{Y},$$

where  $\mathcal{Y} := \mathcal{Y}_E \times \mathcal{Y}_I$ ,  $y := \begin{pmatrix} y_E \\ y_I \end{pmatrix}$ , and by letting  $b := \begin{pmatrix} b_E \\ b_I \end{pmatrix}$ , we have  $\langle b_E, y_E \rangle + \langle b_I, y_I \rangle = \langle b, y \rangle$ . In addition, if the  $y_I$  part is vacuous, i.e., the constraint  $\mathcal{A}_I x - b_I \in \mathcal{C}$  does not exist, we let  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}^*, b, y$  denote  $\mathcal{A}_E, \mathcal{A}_E^*, b_E, y_E$ , respectively.

In this chapter, we focus on convex problems and require the set

$$g^{-1}(\mathcal{K}) := \{x \in \mathcal{X} \mid g(x) \in \mathcal{K}\}$$

to be convex, while this is not always true if we merely assume that  $\mathcal{K} \subset \mathcal{Y}_g$  is a closed convex cone and  $g : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_g$  is a nonlinear smooth map. Thus, we have to impose certain conditions to guarantee the convexity of the set  $g^{-1}(\mathcal{K})$ . Throughout this chapter, we make the following assumption:

**Assumption 2.** *For the map  $g : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_g$  and the closed convex cone  $\mathcal{K} \subseteq \mathcal{Y}_g$ , it holds that*

$$g(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y) - (\lambda g(x) + (1 - \lambda)g(y)) \in \mathcal{K}, \quad \forall \lambda \in (0, 1).$$

This assumption has been used to describe the generalized constraints in nonlinear programming by Rockafellar [66, Example 4]. A typical example is  $\mathcal{K} := \mathfrak{R}_-^m$  and each  $g_i : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, m$  is a convex function.  $g$  can also be matrix-valued functions. For example, let  $g : \mathcal{S}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^n$  be defined by  $g(X) := I - X^2$  and  $\mathcal{K} := \mathcal{S}_+^n$ , then Assumption 2 holds.

**Proposition 4.1.** *Let  $\mathcal{K} \subseteq \mathcal{Y}_g$  be a closed convex cone. Assume that the map  $g : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_g$  satisfies Assumption 2. Then the set  $g^{-1}(\mathcal{K})$  is convex.*

*Proof.* For any  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  and  $y \in \mathcal{X}$  satisfying  $g(x) \in \mathcal{K}$  and  $g(y) \in \mathcal{K}$ , by the convexity of  $\mathcal{K}$ , we have

$$\lambda g(x) + (1 - \lambda)g(y) \in \mathcal{K}, \quad \forall \lambda \in (0, 1).$$

Let  $t_1(\lambda) := g(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y)$ ,  $t_2(\lambda) = \lambda g(x) + (1 - \lambda)g(y)$ , then  $\frac{1}{2}g(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y) = \frac{1}{2}(t_1(\lambda) - t_2(\lambda)) + \frac{1}{2}t_2(\lambda)$ . Since  $\mathcal{K}$  is a closed convex cone, by Assumption 2, we have

$$\frac{1}{2}g(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y) \in \mathcal{K}.$$

Thus we have  $g(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y) \in \mathcal{K}$  for all  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ .  $\square$

Note that in (4.1), the functions  $\theta(\cdot)$  and  $f(\cdot)$  are possibly nonsmooth. A useful example is that  $\theta(\cdot)$  is the indicator function of the cone of symmetric positive semidefinite matrices and  $f(\cdot)$  is the indicator function of a certain polyhedral set. Problem (4.1) can be very difficult to solve due to the presence of the composite objective function and a large number of constraints, including some nonlinear constraints. In the previous chapter, we conduct numerical experiments on linear SDP problems, it can be observed from the numerical results that solving the original problem via its dual is a good choice. Inspired by this observation, in this section, we consider designing an algorithm for solving the dual of (4.1) instead of dealing with (4.1) directly. In this chapter, we first formulate the dual of the nonlinearly constrained convex composite conic programming problem (4.1). We then present an inexact symmetric Gauss-Seidel based ADMM with indefinite proximal terms to solve the obtained dual formulation. The inexactness in solving the corresponding subproblems is essential due to the difficulty introduced by the nonlinear constraints. Moreover, global convergence and iteration complexity results for our proposed algorithm will be established. In the last section of this chapter, we test our algorithm on a variety of examples and report the detailed numerical results.

## 4.1 Dual of problem (4.1)

By introducing slack variables  $u, v \in \mathcal{X}$ , problem (4.1) can be recasted as

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \theta(v) + f(u) + \frac{1}{2}\langle x, \mathcal{Q}x \rangle + \langle c, x \rangle \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \mathcal{A}_E x = b_E, \quad \mathcal{A}_I x - b_I \in \mathcal{C}, \quad g(u) \in \mathcal{K}, \quad x - u = 0, \quad x - v = 0. \end{aligned} \tag{4.2}$$

The Lagrangian function associated with problem (4.2) is defined as follows: for any  $(x, u, v; z, \lambda, s, y_E, y_I) \in \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{K}^0 \times \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}_E \times \mathcal{C}^*$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(x, u, v; z, \lambda, s, y_E, y_I) &= f(u) + \frac{1}{2}\langle x, \mathcal{Q}x \rangle + \langle c, x \rangle + \theta(v) \\ &\quad + \langle y_E, b_E - \mathcal{A}_E x \rangle + \langle y_I, b_I - \mathcal{A}_I x \rangle \\ &\quad + \langle \lambda, g(u) \rangle + \langle z, u - x \rangle + \langle s, v - x \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

The dual of problem (4.2) takes the form of

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & -\psi(z, \lambda) - \frac{1}{2}\langle w, \mathcal{Q}w \rangle - \theta^*(-s) + \langle b_E, y_E \rangle + \langle b_I, y_I \rangle \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & z - \mathcal{Q}w + s + \mathcal{A}_E^* y_E + \mathcal{A}_I^* y_I = c, \quad y_I \in \mathcal{C}^*, \quad \lambda \in \mathcal{K}^0, \quad w \in \mathcal{W}, \end{aligned} \quad (4.3)$$

where  $\theta^*(\cdot)$  denotes the Fenchel conjugate of  $\theta$ , i.e.,

$$\theta^*(s) = \sup_{u \in \mathcal{X}} \{ \langle s, u \rangle - \theta(u) \},$$

$\psi(\cdot, \cdot)$  is defined as

$$\psi(z, \lambda) = \sup_{u \in \mathcal{X}} \{ -\langle u, z \rangle - \langle \lambda, g(u) \rangle - f(u) \},$$

$\mathcal{W}$  is any linear subspace of  $\mathcal{X}$  such that  $\text{Range}(\mathcal{Q}) \subseteq \mathcal{W}$ . By introducing a slack variable  $\zeta \in \mathcal{Y}_I$ , the dual problem (4.3) can be equivalently written as

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \psi(z, \lambda) + \delta_{\mathcal{K}^0}(\lambda) + \delta_{\mathcal{C}^0}(\zeta) + \frac{1}{2}\langle w, \mathcal{Q}w \rangle + \theta^*(-s) - \langle b_E, y_E \rangle - \langle b_I, y_I \rangle \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & z - \mathcal{Q}w + s + \mathcal{A}_E^* y_E + \mathcal{A}_I^* y_I = c, \\ & \zeta + y_I = 0, \quad w \in \mathcal{W}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.4)$$

Let  $\sigma \in (0, +\infty)$  be a given parameter. The augmented Lagrangian function associated with (4.4) is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_\sigma(z, \lambda, w, s, y_E, y_I, \zeta; x, \xi) &= \psi(z, \lambda) + \delta_{\mathcal{K}^0}(\lambda) + \delta_{\mathcal{C}^0}(\zeta) + \frac{1}{2}\langle w, \mathcal{Q}w \rangle \\ &\quad + \theta^*(-s) - \langle b, y \rangle \\ &\quad + \langle x, z - \mathcal{Q}w + s + \mathcal{A}^* y - c \rangle \\ &\quad + \frac{\sigma}{2} \|z - \mathcal{Q}w + s + \mathcal{A}^* y - c\|^2 \\ &\quad + \langle \xi, \zeta + y_I \rangle + \frac{\sigma}{2} \|\zeta + y_I\|^2, \end{aligned}$$



for any  $(z, \lambda, w, s, y_E, y_I, \zeta; x, \xi) \in \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}_g \times \mathcal{W} \times \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}_E \times \mathcal{Y}_I \times \mathcal{Y}_I \times \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}_I$ .

By noticing the multi-block structure in problem (4.4), one may consider solving problem (4.4) by using a multi-block ADMM-type method directly extended from the classic 2-block ADMM. However, it has been shown in [13] that the direct extension of the ADMM to the case of a 3-block convex optimization problem is not necessarily convergent. Despite that a lot of numerical results showing that the direct extension is often effective in practice [72, 84], we want to adopt different strategies to design a convergence guaranteed ADMM-type algorithm for the multi-block problems. Fortunately, this can be realized by applying the symmetric Gauss-Seidel (sGS) technique introduced by Li et al in [40]. Recently, Chen et al [14] propose an inexact majorized semi-proximal ADMM (imsPADMM) for solving convex composite conic optimization problems. Although they allow all the subproblems to be solved inexactly in theory, there is no guarantee that all the subproblems, especially the subproblems involving nonsmooth objective functions, can be solved approximately to a required accuracy. In fact, in their numerical examples, they always solve the subproblems related to the nonsmooth terms (the projection on to the cone  $\mathcal{S}_+^n$ ) exactly. In contrast, in our problem (4.4), it is generally impossible to solve the subproblems corresponding to  $(z, \lambda)$  exactly. This fact urges us to develop new ideas to handle the general convex composite conic programming model with nonlinear constraints (4.4). Meanwhile, Li et al [37] propose a majorized ADMM with indefinite proximal terms for linearly constrained 2-block convex composite optimization problems. The numerical results in [37] show that by using the indefinite proximal terms, one can achieve the impressive reduction of up to 70% in the number of iterations as compared to the ADMM with semi-proximal terms. This dramatic reduction inspires us to adopt this idea in designing our algorithm for solving problem (4.4). In the next section, we shall present our sGS based inexact ADMM with indefinite proximal terms for solving problem (4.4).

## 4.2 An sGS based inexact ADMM with indefinite proximal terms

We view variables  $((z, \lambda), \zeta, w)$  as one block, and  $(s, y_E, y_I)$  as another. In each block, we take advantage of the symmetric Gauss-Seidel technique introduced in [40] and apply an inexact proximal ADMM to problem (4.4).

We present our algorithm as follows:

**Algorithm 1: An sGS based inexact proximal ADMM for solving problem (4.4).**

Given parameter  $\sigma > 0$  and step length  $\tau > 0$ . Choose an initial point such that  $(z^0, \lambda^0) \in \text{dom}(\psi(z, \lambda) + \delta_{K^0}(\lambda))$ ,  $w^0 \in \mathcal{X}$ ,  $-s^0 \in \text{dom}(\theta^*)$ ,  $y_E^0 \in \mathcal{Y}_E$ ,  $y_I^0 \in \mathcal{Y}_I$ ,  $\zeta^0 \in \text{dom}(\delta_{C^0}(\cdot))$ ,  $x^0 \in \mathcal{X}$ ,  $\xi^0 \in \mathcal{Y}_I$ . For  $k = 0, 1, \dots$

**Step 1.** Compute

$$w^{k+\frac{1}{2}} \approx \arg \min_w \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{L}_\sigma(z^k, \lambda^k, w, s^k, y_E^k, y_I^k, \zeta^k; x^k, \xi^k) \\ + \frac{1}{2} \|w - w^k\|_{\mathcal{T}_2}^2 \end{array} \right\}, \quad (4.5)$$

$$(z^{k+1}, \lambda^{k+1}) \approx \arg \min_{(z, \lambda)} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{L}_\sigma(z, \lambda, w^{k+\frac{1}{2}}, s^k, y_E^k, y_I^k, \zeta^k; x^k, \xi^k) \\ + \frac{1}{2} \|z - z^k\|_{\mathcal{T}_z}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\lambda - \lambda^k\|_{\mathcal{T}_\lambda}^2 \end{array} \right\}, \quad (4.6)$$

$$\zeta^{k+1} \approx \arg \min_{\zeta} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{L}_\sigma(z^{k+1}, \lambda^{k+1}, w^{k+\frac{1}{2}}, s^k, y_E^k, y_I^k, \zeta; x^k, \xi^k) \\ + \frac{1}{2} \|\zeta - \zeta^k\|_{\mathcal{T}_\zeta}^2 \end{array} \right\}, \quad (4.7)$$

$$w^{k+1} \approx \arg \min_w \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{L}_\sigma(z^{k+1}, \lambda^{k+1}, w, s^k, y_E^k, y_I^k, \zeta^{k+1}; x^k, \xi^k) \\ + \frac{1}{2} \|w - w^k\|_{\mathcal{T}_2}^2 \end{array} \right\}. \quad (4.8)$$

**Step 2.** Compute

$$y_I^{k+\frac{1}{2}} \approx \arg \min_{y_I} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{L}_\sigma(z^{k+1}, \lambda^{k+1}, w^{k+1}, s^k, y_E^k, y_I, \zeta^{k+1}; x^k, \xi^k) \\ + \frac{1}{2} \|y_I - y_I^k\|_{\mathcal{S}_3}^2 \end{array} \right\}, \quad (4.9)$$

$$y_E^{k+\frac{1}{2}} \approx \arg \min_{y_E} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{L}_\sigma(z^{k+1}, \lambda^{k+1}, w^{k+1}, s^k, y_E, y_I^{k+\frac{1}{2}}, \zeta^{k+1}; x^k, \xi^k) \\ + \frac{1}{2} \|y - y_E^k\|_{\mathcal{S}_2}^2 \end{array} \right\}, \quad (4.10)$$

$$s^{k+1} \approx \arg \min_s \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{L}_\sigma(z^{k+1}, \lambda^{k+1}, w^{k+1}, s, y_E^{k+\frac{1}{2}}, y_I^{k+\frac{1}{2}}, \zeta^{k+1}; x^k, \xi^k) \\ + \frac{1}{2} \|s - s^k\|_{\mathcal{S}_1}^2 \end{array} \right\}, \quad (4.11)$$

$$y_E^{k+1} \approx \arg \min_{y_E} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{L}_\sigma(z^{k+1}, \lambda^{k+1}, w^{k+1}, s^{k+1}, y_E, y_I^{k+\frac{1}{2}}, \zeta^{k+1}; x^k, \xi^k) \\ + \frac{1}{2} \|y - y_E^k\|_{\mathcal{S}_2}^2 \end{array} \right\}, \quad (4.12)$$

$$y_I^{k+1} \approx \arg \min_{y_I} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{L}_\sigma(z^{k+1}, \lambda^{k+1}, w^{k+1}, s^{k+1}, y_E^{k+1}, y_I, \zeta^{k+1}; x^k, \xi^k) \\ + \frac{1}{2} \|y_I - y_I^k\|_{\mathcal{S}_3}^2 \end{array} \right\}. \quad (4.13)$$

**Step 3.** Compute

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x^{k+1} = x^k + \tau \sigma (z^{k+1} - \mathcal{Q}w^{k+1} + s^{k+1} + \mathcal{A}^*y^{k+1} - c), \\ \xi^{k+1} = \xi^k + \tau \sigma (\zeta + y_I). \end{array} \right. \quad (4.14)$$

Note that several proximal terms are introduced in the above algorithm. Certain requirements should be imposed on these proximal terms. Here the operators  $\mathcal{T}_2 : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ ,  $\mathcal{T}_\zeta : \mathcal{Y}_I \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_I$ ,  $\mathcal{T}_z : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ ,  $\mathcal{T}_\lambda : \mathcal{Y}_g \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_g$ ,  $\mathcal{S}_1 : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ ,  $\mathcal{S}_2 : \mathcal{Y}_E \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_E$ ,  $\mathcal{S}_3 : \mathcal{Y}_I \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_I$  are chosen to be self-adjoint linear operators (not necessarily positive semidefinite) such that

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma \mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{X}} + \mathcal{T}_z \succ 0, \quad \mathcal{T}_\lambda \succ 0, \quad \sigma \mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{Y}_I} + \mathcal{T}_\zeta \succ 0, \quad \mathcal{Q} + \sigma \mathcal{Q}^* \mathcal{Q} + \mathcal{T}_2 \succ 0, \\ \sigma \mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{X}} + \mathcal{S}_1 \succ 0, \quad \sigma \mathcal{A}_E \mathcal{A}_E^* + \mathcal{S}_2 \succ 0, \quad \sigma (\mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{Y}_I} + \mathcal{A}_I \mathcal{A}_I^*) + \mathcal{S}_3 \succ 0, \end{aligned} \quad (4.15)$$

where  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{X}} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{Y}_I} : \mathcal{Y}_I \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_I$  are two identity maps. These conditions guarantee that each subproblem has a unique solution.

In Algorithm 1, for each subproblem, we only require an approximate solution. We should emphasize here that this inexactness is in fact crucial in our algorithm design. Specifically, in problem (4.4), due to the nonlinear constraint  $g(x) \in \mathcal{K}$ , we even may not be able to obtain an explicit formulation for  $\psi(z, \lambda)$ . Thus, it can be extremely hard to solve the subproblem (4.6) exactly while inexact minimization seems to be the only method to resolve this difficulty.

In order to guarantee the convergence of Algorithm 1, certain criteria should be given for solving the subproblems. Chen, Sun and Toh [14] propose an inexact sGS based majorized semi-Proximal ADMM (sGS-imsPADMM) for convex composite conic programming and give simple and implementable error tolerance criteria on solving the subproblems approximately. Namely, they require the norm of the subgradient of the objective in each subproblem to be sufficiently small. Here we will follow their ideas and use the similar conditions.

Let  $\{\tilde{\varepsilon}_k\}_{k \geq 0}$  be a summable sequence of nonnegative numbers. In Algorithm 1, we require the subproblems to be solved to the accuracy that

$$\|\tilde{\delta}_2^k\|, \|\delta_z^k\|, \|\delta_\zeta^k\|, \|\delta_2^k\| \leq \tilde{\varepsilon}_k, \quad (4.16)$$

where

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\delta}_2^k \in \partial_w \mathcal{L}_\sigma(z^k, \lambda^k, w^{k+\frac{1}{2}}, s^k, y_E^k, y_I^k, \zeta^k; x^k, \xi^k) + \mathcal{T}_2(w^{k+\frac{1}{2}} - w^k), \\ \delta_z^k \in \partial_{(z, \lambda)} \mathcal{L}_\sigma(z^{k+1}, \lambda^{k+1}, w^{k+\frac{1}{2}}, s^k, y_E^k, y_I^k, \zeta^k; x^k, \xi^k) + \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{T}_z(z^{k+1} - z^k) \\ \mathcal{T}_\lambda(\lambda^{k+1} - \lambda^k) \end{pmatrix}, \\ \delta_\zeta^k \in \partial_\zeta \mathcal{L}_\sigma(z^{k+1}, \lambda^{k+1}, w^{k+1}, s^k, y_E^k, y_I^k, \zeta^{k+1}; x^k, \xi^k) + \mathcal{T}_\zeta(\zeta^{k+1} - \zeta^k), \\ \delta_2^k \in \partial_w \mathcal{L}_\sigma(z^{k+1}, \lambda^{k+1}, w^{k+1}, s^k, y_E^k, y_I^k, \zeta^{k+1}; x^k, \xi^k) + \mathcal{T}_2(w^{k+1} - w^k), \end{array} \right.$$

and

$$\|\tilde{\gamma}_3^k\|, \|\tilde{\gamma}_2^k\|, \|\gamma_1^k\|, \|\gamma_2^k\|, \|\gamma_3^k\| \leq \tilde{\varepsilon}_k, \quad (4.17)$$

where

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\gamma}_3^k \in \partial_{y_I} \mathcal{L}_\sigma(z^{k+1}, \lambda^{k+1}, w^{k+1}, s^k, y_E^k, y_I^{k+\frac{1}{2}}, \zeta^{k+1}; x^k, \xi^k) + \mathcal{S}_3(y_I^{k+\frac{1}{2}} - y_I^k), \\ \tilde{\gamma}_2^k \in \partial_{y_E} \mathcal{L}_\sigma(z^{k+1}, \lambda^{k+1}, w^{k+1}, s^k, y_E^{k+\frac{1}{2}}, y_I^{k+\frac{1}{2}}, \zeta^{k+1}; x^k, \xi^k) + \mathcal{S}_2(y_E^{k+\frac{1}{2}} - y_E^k), \\ \gamma_1^k \in \partial_s \mathcal{L}_\sigma(z^{k+1}, \lambda^{k+1}, w^{k+1}, s^{k+1}, y_E^{k+\frac{1}{2}}, y_I^{k+\frac{1}{2}}, \zeta^{k+1}; x^k, \xi^k) + \mathcal{S}_1(s^{k+1} - s^k), \\ \gamma_2^k \in \partial_{y_E} \mathcal{L}_\sigma(z^{k+1}, \lambda^{k+1}, w^{k+1}, s^{k+1}, y_E^{k+1}, y_I^{k+\frac{1}{2}}, \zeta^{k+1}; x^k, \xi^k) + \mathcal{S}_2(y^{k+1} - y_E^k), \\ \gamma_3^k \in \partial_{y_I} \mathcal{L}_\sigma(z^{k+1}, \lambda^{k+1}, w^{k+1}, s^{k+1}, y_E^{k+1}, y_I^{k+1}, \zeta^{k+1}; x^k, \xi^k) + \mathcal{S}_3(y_I^{k+1} - y_I^k). \end{array} \right.$$

Denote

$$v_1 \equiv (z, \lambda, \zeta, w), \quad v_2 \equiv (s, y_E, y_I).$$

Define the self-adjoint linear operators  $\widehat{\mathcal{T}}, \mathcal{M} : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}_g \times \mathcal{Y}_I \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}_g \times \mathcal{Y}_I \times \mathcal{X}$  and  $\widehat{\mathcal{S}}, \mathcal{N} : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}_E \times \mathcal{Y}_I \rightarrow \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}_E \times \mathcal{Y}_I$  as follows

$$\widehat{\mathcal{T}}v_1 := \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{T}_z & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{T}_\lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \mathcal{T}_\zeta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \mathcal{T}_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} z \\ \lambda \\ \zeta \\ w \end{pmatrix}, \quad \widehat{\mathcal{S}}v_2 := \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{S}_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{S}_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \mathcal{S}_3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} s \\ y_E \\ y_I \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\mathcal{M}v_1 := \begin{pmatrix} \sigma\mathcal{I} + \mathcal{T}_z & 0 & 0 & \sigma\mathcal{Q} \\ 0 & \mathcal{T}_\lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma\mathcal{I} + \mathcal{T}_\zeta & 0 \\ \sigma\mathcal{Q}^* & 0 & 0 & \mathcal{Q} + \sigma\mathcal{Q}^*\mathcal{Q} + \mathcal{T}_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} z \\ \lambda \\ \zeta \\ w \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\mathcal{N}v_2 := \begin{pmatrix} \sigma\mathcal{I} + \mathcal{S}_1 & \sigma\mathcal{A}_E^* & \sigma\mathcal{A}_I^* \\ \sigma\mathcal{A}_E & \sigma\mathcal{A}_E\mathcal{A}_E^* + \mathcal{S}_2 & \sigma\mathcal{A}_E\mathcal{A}_I^* \\ \sigma\mathcal{A}_I & \sigma\mathcal{A}_I\mathcal{A}_E^* & \sigma\mathcal{A}_I\mathcal{A}_I^* + \sigma\mathcal{I} + \mathcal{S}_3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} s \\ y_E \\ y_I \end{pmatrix}.$$

Moreover, we define

$$\mathcal{M}_d := \text{Diag}(\sigma\mathcal{I} + \mathcal{T}_z, \mathcal{T}_\lambda, \sigma\mathcal{I} + \mathcal{T}_\zeta, \mathcal{Q} + \sigma\mathcal{Q}^*\mathcal{Q} + \mathcal{T}_2),$$

$$\mathcal{N}_d := \text{Diag}(\sigma\mathcal{I} + \mathcal{S}_1, \sigma\mathcal{A}_E\mathcal{A}_E^* + \mathcal{S}_2, \sigma\mathcal{A}_I\mathcal{A}_I^* + \sigma\mathcal{I} + \mathcal{S}_3),$$

$$\mathcal{M}_u := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \sigma \mathcal{Q} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{N}_u := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma \mathcal{A}_E^* & \sigma \mathcal{A}_I^* \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma \mathcal{A}_E \mathcal{A}_I^* \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

By the positive definiteness of the operators in (4.15), we have  $\mathcal{M}_d \succ 0$  and  $\mathcal{N}_d \succ 0$ .

Let  $\mathcal{H}_1, \mathcal{H}_2$  be defined by

$$\mathcal{H}_1 := (\mathcal{M}_d + \mathcal{M}_u) \mathcal{M}_d^{-1} (\mathcal{M}_d + \mathcal{M}_u^*), \quad (4.18)$$

$$\mathcal{H}_2 := (\mathcal{N}_d + \mathcal{N}_u) \mathcal{N}_d^{-1} (\mathcal{N}_d + \mathcal{N}_u^*), \quad (4.19)$$

then  $\mathcal{H}_1 \succ 0$  and  $\mathcal{H}_2 \succ 0$ .

Denote  $\delta_1 \equiv (\delta_z, \delta_\zeta)$ , then we have  $\|\delta_1^k\| \leq \sqrt{2}\tilde{\varepsilon}_k$  from  $\|\delta_z^k\| \leq \tilde{\varepsilon}_k$  and  $\|\delta_\zeta^k\| \leq \tilde{\varepsilon}_k$ . Let  $\tilde{\delta}_1 := \delta_1$ ,  $\tilde{\gamma}_1 := \gamma_1$ , denote  $\tilde{\delta} \equiv (\tilde{\delta}_1, \tilde{\delta}_2)$ ,  $\delta \equiv (\delta_1, \delta_2)$ ,  $\tilde{\gamma} \equiv (\tilde{\gamma}_1, \tilde{\gamma}_2, \tilde{\gamma}_3)$ ,  $\gamma \equiv (\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3)$ . Let the two error terms be defined as in (2.5), i.e.,

$$\Delta_1(\tilde{\delta}, \delta) := \delta + \mathcal{M}_u \mathcal{M}_d^{-1} (\delta - \tilde{\delta}), \quad \Delta_2(\tilde{\gamma}, \gamma) := \gamma + \mathcal{N}_u \mathcal{N}_d^{-1} (\gamma - \tilde{\gamma}).$$

By Proposition 2.8, it holds that

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathcal{H}_1^{-1/2} \Delta_1(\tilde{\delta}, \delta)\| &\leq \|\mathcal{M}_d^{-1/2} (\delta - \tilde{\delta})\| + \|\mathcal{H}_1^{-1/2} \tilde{\delta}\|, \\ \|\mathcal{H}_2^{-1/2} \Delta_2(\tilde{\gamma}, \gamma)\| &\leq \|\mathcal{N}_d^{-1/2} (\gamma - \tilde{\gamma})\| + \|\mathcal{H}_2^{-1/2} \tilde{\gamma}\|. \end{aligned}$$

For  $k = 0, 1, \dots$ , define

$$\Delta_1^k := \Delta_1(\tilde{\delta}^k, \delta^k) \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta_2^k := \Delta_2(\tilde{\gamma}^k, \gamma^k).$$

By applying Propositions 2.7 and 2.8 to the Algorithm 1, the following result holds.

**Proposition 4.2.** *Let the self-adjoint linear operators  $\mathcal{T}_w, \mathcal{T}_\lambda, \mathcal{S}_2$  be chosen such that (4.15) is satisfied, then  $\mathcal{M}_d \succ 0$  and  $\mathcal{N}_d \succ 0$ . Let  $\mathcal{H}_1, \mathcal{H}_2$  be defined by (4.18) and (4.19), then  $\mathcal{H}_1 \succ 0$  and  $\mathcal{H}_2 \succ 0$ . Define*

$$\kappa_1 := 2\|\mathcal{M}_d^{-1/2}\| + 3\|\mathcal{H}_1^{-1/2}\|, \quad \kappa_2 := 4\|\mathcal{N}_d^{-1/2}\| + 3\|\mathcal{H}_2^{-1/2}\|.$$

Let  $\{(v_1^k, v_2^k, x^k, \xi^k)\}$  be the sequence generated by Algorithm 1. Then we have for  $k = 0, 1, \dots$ ,

$$\begin{cases} \Delta_1^k \in \partial_{v_1} \left\{ \mathcal{L}_\sigma(v_1^{k+1}, v_2^k) + \frac{1}{2} \|v_1^{k+1} - v_1^k\|_{\hat{\mathcal{T}}} + \frac{1}{2} \|v_1^{k+1} - v_1^k\|_{\mathcal{M}_u \mathcal{M}_d^{-1} \mathcal{M}_u^*}^2 \right\}, \\ \Delta_2^k \in \partial_{v_2} \left\{ \mathcal{L}_\sigma(v_1^{k+1}, v_2^{k+1}) + \frac{1}{2} \|v_2^{k+1} - v_2^k\|_{\hat{\mathcal{S}}} + \frac{1}{2} \|v_2^{k+1} - v_2^k\|_{\mathcal{N}_u \mathcal{N}_d^{-1} \mathcal{N}_u^*}^2 \right\} \end{cases} \quad (4.20)$$

with  $\|\mathcal{H}_1^{-1/2} \Delta_1^k\| \leq \kappa_1 \tilde{\epsilon}_k$  and  $\|\mathcal{H}_2^{-1/2} \Delta_2^k\| \leq \kappa_2 \tilde{\epsilon}_k$ .

*Proof.* Since  $\mathcal{M}_d \succ 0$  and  $\mathcal{N}_d \succ 0$ , we can apply Proposition 2.7 to Algorithm 1. By the definition of  $\Delta_1^k, \Delta_2^k$ , we get (4.20). By Proposition 2.8 and (4.16), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathcal{H}_1^{-1/2} \Delta_1^k\| &\leq \|\mathcal{M}_d^{-1/2}(\delta^k - \tilde{\delta}^k)\| + \|\mathcal{H}_1^{-1/2} \tilde{\delta}^k\| \\ &\leq \|\mathcal{M}_d^{-1/2}\| \|\delta^k - \tilde{\delta}^k\| + \|\mathcal{H}_1^{-1/2}\| \|\tilde{\delta}^k\| \\ &\leq (2\|\mathcal{M}_d^{-1/2}\| + 3\|\mathcal{H}_1^{-1/2}\|) \tilde{\epsilon}_k, \end{aligned}$$

thus the inequality  $\|\mathcal{H}_1^{-1/2} \Delta_1^k\| \leq \kappa_1 \tilde{\epsilon}_k$  holds. Similarly, the required inequality  $\|\mathcal{H}_2^{-1/2} \Delta_2^k\| \leq \kappa_2 \tilde{\epsilon}_k$  holds.  $\square$

**Remark 4.3.** By Proposition 4.2, we know that the sequence generated by Algorithm 1 can be viewed as a sequence generated by an inexact proximal ADMM with specifically chosen proximal terms applied to the general 2-block problem (3.18). Note that  $\hat{\mathcal{S}}$  and  $\hat{\mathcal{T}}$  are not necessarily positive semidefinite. The fact that we do not require the proximal terms to be positive semidefinite makes our algorithm different from the imsPADMM proposed by Chen et al [14].

### 4.2.1 Subproblems with respect to the nonlinear constraints

In section 4.2, we propose Algorithm 1 for solving the dual of the nonlinearly constrained convex composite conic programming problem (4.1). In Algorithm 1, we only solve the subproblems approximately, and we gave criteria on the accuracy in (4.16) and (4.17). Concerned with the difficulty introduced by the nonlinear constraint  $g(x) \in \mathcal{K}$ , in this section, we show that the subproblem (4.6) can be solved to the required accuracy.

Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be a finite dimensional real Euclidean space equipped with an inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  and its induced norm  $\|\cdot\|$ . Let  $p : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow (-\infty, \infty]$  be a closed proper convex function. Let  $h : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow (-\infty, \infty]$  be a convex function which is continuously differentiable on an open set that contains  $\text{dom}(p)$ . Consider the following unconstrained composite optimization problem:

$$\min_{u \in \mathcal{U}} \{p(u) + h(u)\}. \quad (4.21)$$

Let  $\mathcal{O} : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$  be a self-adjoint positive semidefinite linear operator. For problem (4.21), we define the proximal residual mapping  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{O}}^{p,h}(\cdot) : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$  as:

$$\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{O}}^{p,h}(u) := u - \text{Prox}_{\mathcal{O}}^p(u - \mathcal{O}^{-1}\nabla h(u)), \quad u \in \mathcal{U}.$$

From Proposition 2.4, we know that the proximal residual mapping defined above is continuous and it satisfies the following property.

**Lemma 4.4.** *The variable  $\bar{u} \in \mathcal{U}$  satisfies  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{O}}^{p,h}(\bar{u}) = 0$  if and only if  $\bar{u}$  is a solution to problem (4.21).*

When the solution set of problem (4.21) is nonempty, we have the following result related to finding a point at which the objective function in (4.21) possesses a subgradient whose norm is sufficiently small.

**Lemma 4.5.** *Assume that the solution set to problem (4.21) is nonempty. Let  $\{u^i\}_{i=1}^{+\infty}$  be a sequence in  $\text{dom}(p)$  that converges to a solution  $\bar{u} \in \mathcal{U}$  of problem (4.21). For  $i \geq 1$ , define*

$$\begin{cases} \tilde{u}^i &:= \text{Prox}_{\mathcal{O}}^p(u^i - \mathcal{O}^{-1}\nabla h(u^i)), \\ d^i &:= \mathcal{O}(u^i - \tilde{u}^i) + \nabla h(\tilde{u}^i) - \nabla h(u^i). \end{cases}$$

*Then we have  $d^i \in \partial p(\tilde{u}^i) + \nabla h(\tilde{u}^i)$  and  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \|d^i\| = 0$ .*

*Proof.* By the definition of  $\tilde{u}^i$  and  $d^i$ , we can readily obtain that  $d^i \in \partial p(\tilde{u}^i) + \nabla h(\tilde{u}^i)$ . Since  $u^i$  converges to  $\bar{u}$ , by the continuity of the proximal residual mapping  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{O}}^{p,h}(\cdot)$ , we have  $\text{Prox}_{\mathcal{O}}^p(u^i - \mathcal{O}^{-1}\nabla h(u^i)) - u^i \rightarrow 0$  as  $i \rightarrow \infty$ , which implies  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} (\tilde{u}^i - u^i) =$



0. Therefore, by the definition of  $d^i$  and the fact that  $h$  is continuously differentiable on  $\text{dom}(p)$ , we know that  $\|d^i\| \rightarrow 0$  as  $i \rightarrow \infty$ , which completes the proof.  $\square$

**Remark 4.6.** From Lemma 4.5, we know if a sequence converges to the exact solution, then one can always obtain a point such that the norm of the subgradient at that point is sufficiently small.

Now we come back to the subproblem (4.6), which can be equivalently written as

$$(z^{k+1}, \lambda^{k+1}) \approx \arg \min_{(z, \lambda)} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \psi(z, \lambda) + \delta_{\mathcal{K}^0}(\lambda) + \frac{\sigma}{2} \|z^k - \tilde{z}^k\|^2 \\ + \frac{1}{2} \|z - z^k\|_{\mathcal{T}_z}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\lambda - \lambda^k\|_{\mathcal{T}_\lambda}^2 \end{array} \right\}, \quad (4.22)$$

where  $\tilde{z}^k := \mathcal{Q}w^{k+\frac{1}{2}} + c - \frac{1}{\sigma}x^k - s^k - \mathcal{A}_E^*y_E^k - \mathcal{A}_I^*y_I^k$ . Since in general we do not have an explicit formulation of  $\psi(z, \lambda)$ , we can not solve the problem (4.22) exactly. Define

$$\widehat{\mathcal{T}}_z := \sigma\mathcal{I} + \mathcal{T}_z, \quad \hat{z}^k := \widehat{\mathcal{T}}_z^{-1}(\sigma\tilde{z}^k + \mathcal{T}_z z^k).$$

Positive definiteness of the operator  $\widehat{\mathcal{T}}_z$  is obtained from (4.15). Note that subproblem (4.6) can be rewritten as

$$\min_{z \in \mathcal{X}, \lambda \in \mathcal{K}^0} \psi(z, \lambda) + \frac{1}{2} \|z - \hat{z}^k\|_{\widehat{\mathcal{T}}_z}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\lambda - \lambda^k\|_{\mathcal{T}_\lambda}^2. \quad (4.23)$$

Substituting  $\psi(z, \lambda)$  into (4.23), we need to solve

$$\min_{z \in \mathcal{X}, \lambda \in \mathcal{K}^0} \sup_{u \in \mathcal{X}} \{-\langle u, z \rangle - \langle \lambda, g(u) \rangle - f(u)\} + \frac{1}{2} \|z - \hat{z}^k\|_{\widehat{\mathcal{T}}_z}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\lambda - \lambda^k\|_{\mathcal{T}_\lambda}^2.$$

By exchanging the order of solving  $u$  and  $(z, \lambda)$  [63, Theorem 37.3], we obtain the following equivalent problem

$$\sup_{u \in \mathcal{X}} \min_{z \in \mathcal{X}, \lambda \in \mathcal{K}^0} \{-f(u) - \langle u, z \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \|z - \hat{z}^k\|_{\widehat{\mathcal{T}}_z}^2 - \langle \lambda, g(u) \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \|\lambda - \lambda^k\|_{\mathcal{T}_\lambda}^2\}. \quad (4.24)$$

The inner minimization problem of (4.24) has the optimal solution

$$z = \widehat{\mathcal{T}}_z^{-1} u + \hat{z}^k, \quad \lambda = \Pi_{\mathcal{K}^0}(\mathcal{T}_\lambda^{-1} g(u) + \lambda^k). \quad (4.25)$$

By substituting the optimal  $(z, \lambda)$  (4.25) into (4.24), we obtain the following problem

$$\min_{u \in \mathcal{X}} \left\{ f(u) + \frac{1}{2} \|u + \widehat{\mathcal{T}}_z \hat{z}^k\|_{\widehat{\mathcal{T}}_z^{-1}}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\Pi_{\mathcal{K}^0}(g(u) + \mathcal{T}_\lambda \lambda^k)\|_{\mathcal{T}_\lambda^{-1}}^2 \right\}. \quad (4.26)$$

From the fact that  $f(\cdot)$  is convex and  $\widehat{\mathcal{T}}_z \succ 0$ ,  $\mathcal{T}_\lambda \succ 0$ , we know that the objective function in (4.26) is strongly convex. Therefore, problem (4.26) has a unique solution. Let  $\vartheta$  be defined as

$$\vartheta(u) = \frac{1}{2} \|u + \widehat{\mathcal{T}}_z \hat{z}^k\|_{\widehat{\mathcal{T}}_z^{-1}}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\Pi_{\mathcal{K}^0}(g(u) + \mathcal{T}_\lambda \lambda^k)\|_{\mathcal{T}_\lambda^{-1}}^2,$$

then  $\vartheta$  is continuously differentiable on  $\mathcal{X}$ , and its gradient is

$$\nabla \vartheta(u) = \widehat{\mathcal{T}}_z^{-1} (u + \widehat{\mathcal{T}}_z \hat{z}^k) + \mathcal{T}_\lambda^{-1} \nabla g(u) \Pi_{\mathcal{K}^0}(g(u) + \mathcal{T}_\lambda \lambda^k).$$

From Lemma 4.5, we know that for any given  $\epsilon > 0$ , problem (4.26) can be solved to the required accuracy such that  $\|\delta\| \leq \epsilon$ , where  $\delta \in \partial_u f(\tilde{u}) + \nabla \vartheta(\tilde{u})$ . We present the procedure for solving (4.23) as follows:

$$\begin{cases} \tilde{u} \approx \arg \min \left\{ f(u) + \frac{1}{2} \|u + \widehat{\mathcal{T}}_z \hat{z}^k\|_{\widehat{\mathcal{T}}_z^{-1}}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\Pi_{\mathcal{K}^0}(g(u) + \mathcal{T}_\lambda \lambda^k)\|_{\mathcal{T}_\lambda^{-1}}^2 \right\}, \\ z = \widehat{\mathcal{T}}_z^{-1} \tilde{u} + \hat{z}^k, \quad \lambda = \Pi_{\mathcal{K}^0}(\mathcal{T}_\lambda^{-1} g(\tilde{u}) + \lambda^k). \end{cases} \quad (4.27)$$

A typical choice of the operators  $\mathcal{T}_z$  and  $\mathcal{T}_\lambda$  is  $\mathcal{T}_z = 0$  and  $\mathcal{T}_\lambda = \beta \mathcal{I}$ , where parameter  $\beta$  is a positive scalar. In this case, (4.27) can be simplified to

$$u \approx \arg \min \left\{ f(u) + \frac{1}{2\sigma} \|u + \sigma \hat{z}^k\|^2 + \frac{1}{2\beta} \|\Pi_{\mathcal{K}^0}(g(u) + \beta \lambda^k)\|^2 \right\}$$

and

$$z = \frac{1}{\sigma} u + \hat{z}^k, \quad \lambda = \Pi_{\mathcal{K}^0}\left(\frac{1}{\beta} g(u) + \lambda^k\right).$$

### 4.3 Convergence analysis

In section 4.2, we have shown that Algorithm 1 can be viewed as an inexact (indefinite) proximal ADMM by taking advantage of the sGS technique. Without loss

of generality, we discuss the inexact majorized proximal ADMM and establish the convergence results for it in this section.

Let  $\mathcal{X}$ ,  $\mathcal{Y}$  and  $\mathcal{Z}$  be three real finite dimensional Euclidean spaces each equipped with an inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  and its induced norm  $\| \cdot \|$ . In this section, we consider the following 2-block convex composite optimization problem

$$\min_{x \in \mathcal{X}, y \in \mathcal{Y}} \left\{ p(x) + f(x) + q(y) + g(y) \mid \mathcal{A}^*x + \mathcal{B}^*y = c \right\}, \quad (4.28)$$

where  $p : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow (-\infty, +\infty]$  and  $q : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow (-\infty, +\infty]$  are closed proper convex (not necessarily smooth) functions,  $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow (-\infty, \infty)$  and  $g : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow (-\infty, \infty)$  are continuously differentiable convex functions with Lipschitz continuous gradients. The linear operators  $\mathcal{A}^* : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}$  and  $\mathcal{B}^* : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}$  are the adjoints of the linear operators  $\mathcal{A} : \mathcal{Z} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{B} : \mathcal{Z} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$ , respectively, and  $c \in \mathcal{Z}$  is given data. Since  $f(\cdot)$  and  $g(\cdot)$  are convex functions with Lipschitz continuous gradients, there exist four self-adjoint positive semidefinite operators with  $\widehat{\Sigma}_f \succeq \Sigma_f$  and  $\widehat{\Sigma}_g \succeq \Sigma_g$  such that for any  $x, x' \in \mathcal{X}$  and  $y, y' \in \mathcal{Y}$ ,

$$f(x) \geq f(x') + \langle \nabla f(x'), x - x' \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \|x - x'\|_{\Sigma_f}^2, \quad (4.29)$$

$$g(y) \geq g(y') + \langle \nabla g(y'), y - y' \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \|y - y'\|_{\Sigma_g}^2, \quad (4.30)$$

$$f(x) \leq \widehat{f}(x; x') := f(x') + \langle \nabla f(x'), x - x' \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \|x - x'\|_{\widehat{\Sigma}_f}^2, \quad (4.31)$$

$$g(y) \leq \widehat{g}(y; y') := g(y') + \langle \nabla g(y'), y - y' \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \|y - y'\|_{\widehat{\Sigma}_g}^2. \quad (4.32)$$

We make the following blanket assumption for the subsequent discussions.

**Assumption 3.** *There exists a vector  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) \in \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \times \mathcal{Z}$  that is a solution to the following Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) system*

$$\nabla f(\bar{x}) + \mathcal{A}\bar{z} \in -\partial p(\bar{x}), \quad \nabla g(\bar{y}) + \mathcal{B}\bar{z} \in -\partial q(\bar{y}), \quad \mathcal{A}^*\bar{x} + \mathcal{B}^*\bar{y} - c = 0. \quad (4.33)$$

For notational simplicity, we denote  $w := (x, y, z)$  and  $\mathcal{W} := \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \times \mathcal{Z}$ . If  $\bar{w} := (\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) \in \mathcal{W}$  is a solution to the KKT system (4.33), then  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$  is a solution to problem (4.28) and  $\bar{z} \in \mathcal{Z}$  is an optimal solution to the dual of problem (4.28).

We consider an inexact majorized ADMM with (indefinite) proximal terms for solving problem (4.28). For given  $\sigma \in (0, +\infty)$ ,  $(x', y') \in \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}$  and  $(x, y, z) \in \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \times \mathcal{Z}$ , the majorized augmented Lagrangian function is defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_\sigma(x, y; (z, x', y')) := & p(x) + \widehat{f}(x; x') + q(y) + \widehat{g}(y; y') \\ & + \langle z, \mathcal{A}^*x + \mathcal{B}^*y - c \rangle + \frac{\sigma}{2} \|\mathcal{A}^*x + \mathcal{B}^*y - c\|^2, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\widehat{f}(\cdot, x')$  and  $\widehat{g}(\cdot, y')$  are the majorized convex functions defined in (4.31) and (4.32). Let  $\mathcal{S} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{T} : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  be two self-adjoint linear operators such that

$$\mathcal{M} := \widehat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S} + \sigma \mathcal{A} \mathcal{A}^* \succeq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{N} := \widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T} + \sigma \mathcal{B} \mathcal{B}^* \succeq 0. \quad (4.34)$$

We emphasize here that  $\mathcal{S}$  and  $\mathcal{T}$  are not necessarily positive semidefinite. Suppose  $\{(x^k, y^k, z^k)\}_{k \geq 0}$  is a sequence in  $\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \times \mathcal{Z}$ . To simplify the notations, we define  $\widehat{\mathcal{L}}_\sigma^k : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow (-\infty, \infty]$ ,  $\psi_k : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow (-\infty, \infty]$  and  $\varphi_k : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow (-\infty, \infty]$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_\sigma^k(x, y) &:= \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_\sigma(x, y; (z^k, x^k, y^k)), \\ \psi_k(x) &:= p(x) + \frac{1}{2} \|x\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 + \langle \nabla f(x^k) + \mathcal{A}z^k - \mathcal{M}x^k + \sigma \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{A}^*x^k + \mathcal{B}^*y^k - c), x \rangle \\ &= p(x) + \frac{1}{2} \langle x, \mathcal{M}x \rangle - \langle l_x^k, x \rangle, \\ \varphi_k(y) &:= q(y) + \frac{1}{2} \|y\|_{\mathcal{N}}^2 + \langle \nabla g(y^k) + \mathcal{B}z^k - \mathcal{N}y^k + \sigma \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{A}^*x^{k+1} + \mathcal{B}^*y^k - c), y \rangle \\ &= q(y) + \frac{1}{2} \langle y, \mathcal{N}y \rangle - \langle l_y^k, y \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} -l_x^k &:= \nabla f(x^k) + \mathcal{A}z^k - \mathcal{M}x^k + \sigma \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{A}^*x^k + \mathcal{B}^*y^k - c), \\ -l_y^k &:= \nabla g(y^k) + \mathcal{B}z^k - \mathcal{N}y^k + \sigma \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{A}^*x^{k+1} + \mathcal{B}^*y^k - c). \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\{\varepsilon_k\}$  be a summable sequence of nonnegative numbers, and define

$$\mathcal{E} := \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \varepsilon_k < \infty, \quad \mathcal{E}' := \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \varepsilon_k^2 < \infty. \quad (4.35)$$

We present the inexact majorized ADMM with indefinite proximal terms for solving problem (4.28) as follows.

**Algorithm imPADMM: An inexact majorized Proximal ADMM for solving (4.28).**

Given parameter  $\sigma \in (0, +\infty)$  and  $\tau \in (0, (1 + \sqrt{5})/2)$ . Let  $\{\varepsilon_k\}_{k \geq 0}$  be a non-negative summable sequence. Choose self-adjoint linear operators  $\mathcal{S}$  and  $\mathcal{T}$  such that  $\mathcal{M}$  and  $\mathcal{N}$  defined in (4.34) are positive definite. Choose an initial point  $(x^0, y^0, z^0) \in \text{dom}(p) \times \text{dom}(q) \times \mathcal{Z}$ . For  $k = 0, 1, \dots$ , perform the following steps:

**Step 1.** Compute  $x^{k+1}$  and  $d_x^k$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} x^{k+1} &\approx \bar{x}^{k+1} := \arg \min_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \left\{ \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_\sigma^k(x, y^k) + \frac{1}{2} \|x - x^k\|_{\mathcal{S}}^2 \right\} \\ &= \arg \min_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \{ \psi_k(x) \}, \end{aligned} \quad (4.36)$$

$$d_x^k \in \partial \psi_k(x^{k+1}) \quad \text{with} \quad \|\mathcal{M}^{-\frac{1}{2}} d_x^k\| \leq \varepsilon_k. \quad (4.37)$$

**Step 2.** Compute  $y^{k+1}$  and  $d_y^k$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} y^{k+1} &\approx \bar{y}^{k+1} := \arg \min_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} \left\{ \widehat{\mathcal{L}}_\sigma^k(\bar{x}^{k+1}, y) + \frac{1}{2} \|y - y^k\|_{\mathcal{T}}^2 \right\} \\ &= \arg \min_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} \{ \varphi_k(y) + \langle \sigma \mathcal{B} \mathcal{A}^* (\bar{x}^{k+1} - x^{k+1}), y \rangle \}, \end{aligned} \quad (4.38)$$

$$d_y^k \in \partial \varphi_k(y^{k+1}) \quad \text{with} \quad \|\mathcal{N}^{-\frac{1}{2}} d_y^k\| \leq \varepsilon_k. \quad (4.39)$$

**Step 3.** Compute

$$z^{k+1} = z^k + \tau \sigma (\mathcal{A}^* x^{k+1} + \mathcal{B}^* y^{k+1} - c).$$

Though  $\mathcal{S}$  and  $\mathcal{T}$  are not required to be positive semidefinite, we still need  $\mathcal{M} \succ 0$  and  $\mathcal{N} \succ 0$ . Similarly as in [14], we have the following result bounding the difference between  $(x^{k+1}, y^{k+1})$  and  $(\bar{x}^{k+1}, \bar{y}^{k+1})$  in terms of the given error tolerance. Here we present it without proof, since it can be derived in the same fashion as in [14, Proposition 1].

**Proposition 4.7.** *Let  $\{(x^k, y^k, z^k)\}$  be the sequence generated by the imPADMM,*

and  $\{\bar{x}^k\}, \{\bar{y}^k\}$  be defined by (4.36) and (4.38). Then for any  $k \geq 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x^{k+1} - \bar{x}^{k+1}\|_{\mathcal{M}} &\leq \|\mathcal{M}^{-\frac{1}{2}}d_x^k\| \leq \varepsilon_k, \\ \|y^{k+1} - \bar{y}^{k+1}\|_{\mathcal{N}} &\leq \|\mathcal{N}^{-\frac{1}{2}}d_y^k\| + \sigma\|\mathcal{N}^{-\frac{1}{2}}\mathcal{BA}^*\mathcal{M}^{-\frac{1}{2}}\|\|\mathcal{M}^{-\frac{1}{2}}d_x^k\| \\ &\leq \varrho_1\varepsilon_k, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\varrho_1 := 1 + \sigma\|\mathcal{N}^{-\frac{1}{2}}\mathcal{BA}^*\mathcal{M}^{-\frac{1}{2}}\|$ .

Let  $\{(x^k, y^k, z^k)\}$  be the sequence generated by imPADMM and  $\{(\bar{x}^k, \bar{y}^k)\}$  be defined by (4.36) and (4.38). For convenience, we define the following variables

$$\begin{aligned} r^k &:= \mathcal{A}^*x^k + \mathcal{B}^*y^k - c, \quad \bar{r}^k := \mathcal{A}^*\bar{x}^k + \mathcal{B}^*\bar{y}^k - c, \\ \tilde{z}^{k+1} &:= z^k + \sigma r^{k+1}, \quad \bar{z}^{k+1} := z^k + \tau\sigma\bar{r}^{k+1}. \end{aligned} \tag{4.40}$$

Let  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ , we denote

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\alpha} &:= (1 - \alpha) + \alpha \max(1 - \tau, 1 - \tau^{-1}), \\ \beta &:= \min(1, 1 - \tau + \tau^{-1})\alpha - (1 - \alpha)\tau. \end{aligned} \tag{4.41}$$

For  $(x, y, z) \in \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \times \mathcal{Z}$  and  $k = 0, 1, \dots$ , define

$$\begin{aligned} R(x, y) &:= p(x) + f(x) + q(y) + g(y), \\ \phi_k(x, y, z) &:= \frac{1}{\tau\sigma}\|z - z^k\|^2 + \|x - x^k\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S}}^2 + \|y - y^k\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 \\ &\quad + \sigma\|\mathcal{A}^*x + \mathcal{B}^*y^k - c\|^2 + \hat{\alpha}\sigma\|r^k\|^2 + \alpha\|y^k - y^{k-1}\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2, \\ \bar{\phi}_k(x, y, z) &:= \frac{1}{\tau\sigma}\|z - \bar{z}^k\|^2 + \|x - \bar{x}^k\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S}}^2 + \|y - \bar{y}^k\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 \\ &\quad + \sigma\|\mathcal{A}^*x + \mathcal{B}^*\bar{y}^k - c\|^2 + \hat{\alpha}\sigma\|\bar{r}^k\|^2 + \alpha\|\bar{y}^k - y^{k-1}\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2. \end{aligned}$$

The following two self-adjoint linear operators  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$  are needed in the subsequent analysis:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F} &:= \frac{1}{2}\Sigma_f + \mathcal{S} + \frac{(1 - \alpha)\sigma}{2}\mathcal{AA}^*, \\ \mathcal{G} &:= \frac{1}{2}\Sigma_g + \mathcal{T} + \min(\tau, 1 + \tau - \tau^2)\alpha\sigma\mathcal{BB}^*. \end{aligned} \tag{4.42}$$

With an additional condition  $\frac{1}{2}\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T} \succeq 0$ , similarly as in [14], we have the following lemma.

**Lemma 4.8.** *Assume that*

$$\frac{1}{2}\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T} \succeq 0.$$

*Let  $\{(x^k, y^k, z^k)\}$  be the sequence generated by Algorithm imPADMM. Then for any  $k \geq 1$ , the following inequalities hold.*

(a) *For any  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned} & (1 - \tau)\sigma\|r^{k+1}\|^2 + \sigma\|\mathcal{A}^*x^{k+1} + \mathcal{B}^*y^k - c\|^2 \\ \geq & \max(1 - \tau, 1 - \tau^{-1})\sigma(\|r^{k+1}\|^2 - \|r^k\|^2) \\ & + \min(\tau, 1 + \tau - \tau^2)\sigma(\|\mathcal{B}^*(y^k - y^{k+1})\|^2 + \tau^{-1}\|r^{k+1}\|^2) \\ & + (\|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 - \|y^k - y^{k-1}\|_{\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2) - 2\langle d_y^k - d_y^{k-1}, y^{k+1} - y^k \rangle. \end{aligned} \quad (4.43)$$

(b) *For any  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned} & (1 - \tau)\sigma\|r^{k+1}\|^2 + \sigma\|\mathcal{A}^*x^{k+1} + \mathcal{B}^*y^k - c\|^2 \\ \geq & \widehat{\alpha}\sigma(\|r^{k+1}\|^2 - \|r^k\|^2) - 2\alpha\langle d_y^k - d_y^{k-1}, y^{k+1} - y^k \rangle \\ & + \|x^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\frac{(1-\alpha)\sigma}{2}\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}^*}^2 + \beta\sigma\|r^{k+1}\|^2 + \alpha\|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 \\ & - \alpha\|y^k - y^{k-1}\|_{\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 + \|y^k - y^{k+1}\|_{\min(\tau, 1 + \tau - \tau^2)\alpha\sigma\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}^*}^2. \end{aligned} \quad (4.44)$$

*Proof.* (a) By the definition of  $r^{k+1}$ , we have the following equation

$$\begin{aligned} & (1 - \tau)\sigma\|r^{k+1}\|^2 + \sigma\|\mathcal{A}^*x^{k+1} + \mathcal{B}^*y^k - c\|^2 \\ = & (2 - \tau)\sigma\|r^{k+1}\|^2 + \sigma\|\mathcal{B}^*(y^k - y^{k+1})\|^2 + 2\langle \sigma r^{k+1}, \mathcal{B}^*(y^k - y^{k+1}) \rangle. \end{aligned} \quad (4.45)$$

From (4.40), we have  $\sigma r^{k+1} = \widetilde{z}^{k+1} - \widetilde{z}^k + (1 - \tau)\sigma r^k$ , we rewrite the last term in (4.45) as

$$\begin{aligned} & 2\langle \sigma r^{k+1}, \mathcal{B}^*(y^k - y^{k+1}) \rangle \\ = & 2(1 - \tau)\sigma\langle r^k, \mathcal{B}^*(y^k - y^{k+1}) \rangle + 2\langle \widetilde{z}^{k+1} - \widetilde{z}^k, \mathcal{B}^*(y^k - y^{k+1}) \rangle. \end{aligned} \quad (4.46)$$

Firstly, we estimate the last term in the above equation. From (4.39) and (4.40), we have for  $k \geq 0$ ,

$$\begin{cases} d_y^k - \nabla g(y^k) - \mathcal{B}\widetilde{z}^{k+1} - (\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T})(y^{k+1} - y^k) \in \partial q(y^{k+1}), \\ d_y^{k-1} - \nabla g(y^{k-1}) - \mathcal{B}\widetilde{z}^k - (\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T})(y^k - y^{k-1}) \in \partial q(y^k). \end{cases}$$

By the maximal monotonicity of  $\partial q(\cdot)$ , we have that for  $k \geq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle d_y^k - d_y^{k-1} - (\nabla g(y^k) - \nabla g(y^{k-1})) - \mathcal{B}(\tilde{z}^{k+1} - \tilde{z}^k), y^{k+1} - y^k \rangle \\ & - \langle (\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T})(y^{k+1} - 2y^k + y^{k-1}), y^{k+1} - y^k \rangle \geq 0, \end{aligned}$$

thus

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \tilde{z}^{k+1} - \tilde{z}^k, \mathcal{B}^*(y^k - y^{k+1}) \rangle + \langle d_y^k - d_y^{k-1}, y^{k+1} - y^k \rangle \\ & \geq \|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 + \langle (\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T})(y^{k-1} - y^k), y^{k+1} - y^k \rangle \\ & \quad + \langle \nabla g(y^k) - \nabla g(y^{k-1}), y^{k+1} - y^k \rangle. \end{aligned} \quad (4.47)$$

Since  $\nabla f(\cdot)$  and  $\nabla g(\cdot)$  are Lipschitz continuous, by Clarke's Mean Value Theorem [15, Proposition 2.6.5], we know that there exist two self-adjoint linear operators  $0 \preceq \mathcal{P}_x^k \preceq \hat{\Sigma}_f$  and  $0 \preceq \mathcal{P}_y^k \preceq \hat{\Sigma}_g$  such that

$$\nabla f(x^k) - \nabla f(x^{k-1}) = \mathcal{P}_x^k(x^k - x^{k-1}), \quad \nabla g(y^k) - \nabla g(y^{k-1}) = \mathcal{P}_y^k(y^k - y^{k-1}). \quad (4.48)$$

Thus (4.47) can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \tilde{z}^{k+1} - \tilde{z}^k, \mathcal{B}^*(y^k - y^{k+1}) \rangle + \langle d_y^k - d_y^{k-1}, y^{k+1} - y^k \rangle \\ & \geq \|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 + \langle (\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T} - \mathcal{P}_y^k)(y^{k-1} - y^k), y^{k+1} - y^k \rangle. \end{aligned} \quad (4.49)$$

Using equation (2.1), the triangle inequality (2.2) and  $\hat{\Sigma}_g \succeq \mathcal{P}_y^k \succeq 0$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} & 2\langle (\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T} - \mathcal{P}_y^k)(y^{k-1} - y^k), y^{k+1} - y^k \rangle \\ & = \|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T} - \mathcal{P}_y^k}^2 + \|y^k - y^{k-1}\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T} - \mathcal{P}_y^k}^2 - \|y^{k+1} - y^{k-1}\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T} - \mathcal{P}_y^k}^2 \\ & \geq \|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T} - \mathcal{P}_y^k}^2 + \|y^k - y^{k-1}\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T} - \mathcal{P}_y^k}^2 - \|y^{k+1} - y^{k-1}\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T} - \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{P}_y^k}^2 \\ & \geq \|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T} - \mathcal{P}_y^k}^2 + \|y^k - y^{k-1}\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T} - \mathcal{P}_y^k}^2 \\ & \quad - 2\|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T} - \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{P}_y^k}^2 - 2\|y^k - y^{k-1}\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T} - \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{P}_y^k}^2, \end{aligned} \quad (4.50)$$

where the last inequality holds since

$$\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T} - \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{P}_y^k = \frac{1}{2}\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T} + \frac{1}{2}(\hat{\Sigma}_g - \mathcal{P}_y^k) \succeq 0.$$



(4.50) together with (4.49) gives the following inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} & 2\langle \tilde{z}^{k+1} - \tilde{z}^k, \mathcal{B}^*(y^k - y^{k+1}) \rangle + 2\langle d_y^k - d_y^{k-1}, y^{k+1} - y^k \rangle \\ & \geq \|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 - \|y^k - y^{k-1}\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2. \end{aligned} \quad (4.51)$$

By applying (4.51) to equation (4.46), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & 2\langle \sigma r^{k+1}, \mathcal{B}^*(y^k - y^{k+1}) \rangle + 2\langle d_y^k - d_y^{k-1}, y^{k+1} - y^k \rangle \\ & \geq 2(1 - \tau)\sigma \langle r^k, \mathcal{B}^*(y^k - y^{k+1}) \rangle + \|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 - \|y^k - y^{k-1}\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2. \end{aligned} \quad (4.52)$$

Now we estimate the term  $2(1 - \tau)\sigma \langle r^k, \mathcal{B}^*(y^k - y^{k+1}) \rangle$ . From Cauchy-Schwarz inequality we have

$$\begin{aligned} & 2(1 - \tau)\sigma \langle r^k, \mathcal{B}^*(y^k - y^{k+1}) \rangle \\ & \geq \begin{cases} -(1 - \tau)\sigma \|\mathcal{B}^*(y^k - y^{k+1})\|^2 - (1 - \tau)\sigma \|r^k\|^2, & \tau \in (0, 1], \\ (1 - \tau)\sigma \tau \|\mathcal{B}^*(y^k - y^{k+1})\|^2 + (1 - \tau)\sigma \tau^{-1} \|r^k\|^2, & \tau \in (1, +\infty). \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Combining the above inequality with (4.45) and (4.52), we have that when  $\tau \in (0, 1]$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & (1 - \tau)\sigma \|r^{k+1}\|^2 + \sigma \|\mathcal{A}^* x^{k+1} + \mathcal{B}^* y^k - c\|^2 \\ & \geq (1 - \tau)\sigma (\|r^{k+1}\|^2 - \|r^k\|^2) + \tau\sigma \|\mathcal{B}^*(y^k - y^{k+1})\|^2 + \sigma \|r^{k+1}\|^2 \\ & \quad + \|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 - \|y^k - y^{k-1}\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 - 2\langle d_y^k - d_y^{k-1}, y^{k+1} - y^k \rangle \end{aligned}$$

and when  $\tau \in (1, +\infty)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & (1 - \tau)\sigma \|r^{k+1}\|^2 + \sigma \|\mathcal{A}^* x^{k+1} + \mathcal{B}^* y^k - c\|^2 \\ & \geq (1 - \tau^{-1})\sigma (\|r^{k+1}\|^2 - \|r^k\|^2) \\ & \quad + (1 + \tau - \tau^2)\sigma (\|\mathcal{B}^*(y^k - y^{k+1})\|^2 + \tau^{-1} \|r^{k+1}\|^2) \\ & \quad + \|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 - \|y^k - y^{k-1}\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 - 2\langle d_y^k - d_y^{k-1}, y^{k+1} - y^k \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof of part (a).

(b) From the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sigma \|\mathcal{A}^* x^{k+1} + \mathcal{B}^* y^k - c\|^2 = \sigma \|r^k + \mathcal{A}^*(x^{k+1} - x^k)\|^2 \\
 &= \sigma \|r^k\|^2 + \sigma \|\mathcal{A}^*(x^{k+1} - x^k)\|^2 + 2\sigma \langle r^k, \mathcal{A}^*(x^{k+1} - x^k) \rangle \\
 &\geq \sigma \|r^k\|^2 + \sigma \|\mathcal{A}^*(x^{k+1} - x^k)\|^2 - 2\sigma \|r^k\|^2 - \frac{1}{2}\sigma \|\mathcal{A}^*(x^{k+1} - x^k)\|^2 \\
 &= -\sigma \|r^k\|^2 + \frac{\sigma}{2} \|\mathcal{A}^*(x^{k+1} - x^k)\|^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, for any  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (1 - \alpha) \left[ (1 - \tau) \sigma \|r^{k+1}\|^2 + \sigma \|\mathcal{A}^* x^{k+1} + \mathcal{B}^* y^k - c\|^2 \right] \\
 &\geq (1 - \alpha) \left[ (1 - \tau) \sigma \|r^{k+1}\|^2 - \sigma \|r^k\|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sigma \|\mathcal{A}^*(x^{k+1} - x^k)\|^2 \right] \quad (4.53) \\
 &= -(1 - \alpha) \tau \sigma \|r^{k+1}\|^2 + (1 - \alpha) \sigma (\|r^{k+1}\|^2 - \|r^k\|^2) + \|x^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\frac{(1-\alpha)\sigma}{2} \mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}^*}^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

Then (4.44) can be proved by adding (4.53) to an inequality which is generated by multiplying  $\alpha$  to both sides of (4.43), which completes the proof of part (b).  $\square$

For the sequence  $\{(\bar{x}^{k+1}, \bar{y}^{k+1}, \bar{z}^{k+1})\}$ , we have the following lemma which is similar to Lemma 4.8.

**Lemma 4.9.** *Suppose  $\{(x^k, y^k, z^k)\}$  be the sequence generated by the imPADMM and*

$$\frac{1}{2} \widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T} \succeq 0.$$

*Then for any  $k \geq 1$ , we have*

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (1 - \tau) \sigma \|\bar{r}^{k+1}\|^2 + \sigma \|\mathcal{A}^* \bar{x}^{k+1} + \mathcal{B}^* y^k - c\|^2 \\
 &\geq \max(1 - \tau, 1 - \tau^{-1}) \sigma (\|\bar{r}^{k+1}\|^2 - \|r^k\|^2) \\
 &\quad + \min(\tau, 1 + \tau - \tau^2) \sigma (\|\mathcal{B}^*(y^k - \bar{y}^{k+1})\|^2 + \tau^{-1} \|\bar{r}^{k+1}\|^2) \\
 &\quad + \|\bar{y}^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 - \|y^k - y^{k-1}\|_{\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 + 2 \langle d_y^{k-1}, y^{k+1} - y^k \rangle.
 \end{aligned} \quad (4.54)$$

The proof of Lemma 4.9 can be done in the same fashion as that of part (a) in Lemma 4.8, we omit it here.

Next, we give the following proposition which is essential for establishing both the global convergence and the iteration complexity results of the imPADMM.

**Proposition 4.10.** *Suppose that Assumption 3 holds. Let  $\{(x^k, y^k, z^k)\}$  be the sequence generated by the imPADMM. Then for any  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$  and  $k \geq 1$  we have the following results:*

(a) For any  $(x, y, z) \in \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \times \mathcal{Z}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
& p(x) + q(y) - p(x^{k+1}) - q(y^{k+1}) \\
& + \langle \nabla f(x) + \mathcal{A}z, x - x^{k+1} \rangle + \langle \nabla g(y) + \mathcal{B}z, y - y^{k+1} \rangle \\
& + \langle \mathcal{A}^*x + \mathcal{B}^*y - c, \tilde{z}^{k+1} - z \rangle + \frac{1}{2}(\phi_k(x, y, z) - \phi_{k+1}(x, y, z)) \\
& - \langle d_x^k, x - x^{k+1} \rangle - \langle d_y^k, y - y^{k+1} \rangle \\
& \geq \frac{1}{2}(\|x^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\mathcal{F}}^2 + \|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\mathcal{G}}^2 + \beta\sigma\|r^{k+1}\|^2) \\
& - \alpha\langle d_y^k - d_y^{k-1}, y^{k+1} - y^k \rangle.
\end{aligned} \tag{4.55}$$

(b) For any  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$  satisfying (4.33),

$$\begin{aligned}
& \phi_k(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) - \phi_{k+1}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) \\
& + 2\langle d_x^k, x^{k+1} - \bar{x} \rangle + 2\langle d_y^k, y^{k+1} - \bar{y} \rangle + \alpha^2\|d_y^k - d_y^{k-1}\|_{\mathcal{G}^{-1}}^2 \\
& \geq \|x^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\mathcal{F}}^2 + \beta\sigma\|r^{k+1}\|^2 + \|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\mathcal{G}}^2 - \alpha\mathcal{G}^{-1}(d_y^k - d_y^{k-1})\|_{\mathcal{G}}^2.
\end{aligned} \tag{4.56}$$

*Proof.* (a) Since  $f(\cdot)$  is convex with Lipschitz continuous gradients, directly from (4.29) and (4.31), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
f(x) - f(x^k) - \langle \nabla f(x^k), x - x^k \rangle & \geq \frac{1}{2}\|x - x^k\|_{\Sigma_f}^2, \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{X}, \\
f(x^k) - f(x^{k+1}) + \langle \nabla f(x^k), x^{k+1} - x^k \rangle & \geq -\frac{1}{2}\|x^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\Sigma_f}^2.
\end{aligned}$$

Summing up the above two inequalities, we get

$$f(x) - f(x^{k+1}) - \langle \nabla f(x^k), x - x^{k+1} \rangle \geq \frac{1}{2}\|x - x^k\|_{\Sigma_f}^2 - \frac{1}{2}\|x^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\Sigma_f}^2. \tag{4.57}$$

From (4.36) and (4.37), we have

$$d_x^k + l_x^k - \mathcal{M}x^{k+1} \in \partial p(x^{k+1}),$$

i.e.,

$$d_x^k - \nabla f(x^k) - \mathcal{A}[\tilde{z}^{k+1} + \sigma \mathcal{B}^*(y^k - y^{k+1})] - (\widehat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S})(x^{k+1} - x^k) \in \partial p(x^{k+1}),$$

where we make use of the fact that  $z^k + \sigma(\mathcal{A}^*x^{k+1} + \mathcal{B}^*y^k - c) = \tilde{z}^{k+1} + \sigma \mathcal{B}^*(y^k - y^{k+1})$ .

By the maximal monotonicity of  $\partial p(\cdot)$ , we know that

$$\begin{aligned} & p(x) - p(x^{k+1}) + \langle \nabla f(x^k) - d_x^k, x - x^{k+1} \rangle \\ & + \langle \mathcal{A}[\tilde{z}^{k+1} + \sigma \mathcal{B}^*(y^k - y^{k+1})] + (\widehat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S})(x^{k+1} - x^k), x - x^{k+1} \rangle \geq 0. \end{aligned} \quad (4.58)$$

Adding (4.57) to (4.58), we have that for any  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & p(x) + f(x) - p(x^{k+1}) - f(x^{k+1}) - \langle d_x^k, x - x^{k+1} \rangle \\ & + \langle \mathcal{A}[\tilde{z}^{k+1} + \sigma \mathcal{B}^*(y^k - y^{k+1})] + (\widehat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S})(x^{k+1} - x^k), x - x^{k+1} \rangle \\ & \geq \frac{1}{2} (\|x - x^k\|_{\Sigma_f}^2 - \|x^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\Sigma_f}^2). \end{aligned} \quad (4.59)$$

Similarly, we have that for any  $y \in \mathcal{Y}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & q(y) - q(y^{k+1}) + \langle \nabla g(y^k) - d_y^k, y - y^{k+1} \rangle \\ & + \langle \mathcal{B}\tilde{z}^{k+1} + (\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T})(y^{k+1} - y^k), y - y^{k+1} \rangle \geq 0, \end{aligned} \quad (4.60)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & q(y) + g(y) - q(y^{k+1}) - g(y^{k+1}) - \langle d_y^k, y - y^{k+1} \rangle \\ & + \langle \mathcal{B}\tilde{z}^{k+1} + (\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T})(y^{k+1} - y^k), y - y^{k+1} \rangle \\ & \geq \frac{1}{2} (\|y - y^k\|_{\Sigma_g}^2 - \|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\Sigma_g}^2). \end{aligned} \quad (4.61)$$

From (4.59) and (4.61), we know that for any  $(x, y, z) \in \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \times \mathcal{Z}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & R(x, y) - R(x^{k+1}, y^{k+1}) - \langle d_x^k, x - x^{k+1} \rangle - \langle d_y^k, y - y^{k+1} \rangle \\ & + \langle \mathcal{A}z, x - x^{k+1} \rangle + \langle \mathcal{B}z, y - y^{k+1} \rangle + \langle \mathcal{A}^*x + \mathcal{B}^*y - c, \tilde{z}^{k+1} - z \rangle \\ & + \langle x - x^{k+1}, (\widehat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S})(x^{k+1} - x^k) \rangle + \langle y - y^{k+1}, (\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T})(y^{k+1} - y^k) \rangle \\ & + \sigma \langle \mathcal{A}^*(x - x^{k+1}), \mathcal{B}^*(y^k - y^{k+1}) \rangle + \langle r^{k+1}, z - \tilde{z}^{k+1} \rangle \\ & \geq \frac{1}{2} (\|x - x^k\|_{\Sigma_f}^2 + \|y - y^k\|_{\Sigma_g}^2) - \frac{1}{2} (\|x^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\Sigma_f}^2 + \|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\Sigma_g}^2). \end{aligned} \quad (4.62)$$

Next, we shall rewrite the last four terms on the left-hand side of (4.62). Firstly, from (4.40), we have that

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle r^{k+1}, z - \tilde{z}^{k+1} \rangle &= \langle r^{k+1}, z - z^k - \sigma r^{k+1} \rangle = \frac{1}{\tau\sigma} \langle z^{k+1} - z^k, z - z^k \rangle - \sigma \|r^{k+1}\|^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{2\tau\sigma} (\|z^{k+1} - z^k\|^2 + \|z - z^k\|^2 - \|z^{k+1} - z\|^2) - \sigma \|r^{k+1}\|^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{2\tau\sigma} (\|z - z^k\|^2 - \|z^{k+1} - z\|^2) + \frac{(\tau - 2)\sigma}{2} \|r^{k+1}\|^2.
\end{aligned} \tag{4.63}$$

Secondly, by (2.3), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sigma \langle \mathcal{A}^*(x - x^{k+1}), \mathcal{B}^*(y^k - y^{k+1}) \rangle \\
&= \sigma \langle (\mathcal{A}^*x - c) - (\mathcal{A}^*x^{k+1} - c), \mathcal{B}^*y^k - \mathcal{B}^*y^{k+1} \rangle \\
&= \frac{\sigma}{2} (\|\mathcal{A}^*x + \mathcal{B}^*y^k - c\|^2 + \|\mathcal{A}^*x^{k+1} + \mathcal{B}^*y^{k+1} - c\|^2) \\
&\quad - \frac{\sigma}{2} (\|\mathcal{A}^*x + \mathcal{B}^*y^{k+1} - c\|^2 + \|\mathcal{A}^*x^{k+1} + \mathcal{B}^*y^k - c\|^2).
\end{aligned} \tag{4.64}$$

Thirdly, from (2.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&\langle x - x^{k+1}, (\widehat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S})(x^{k+1} - x^k) \rangle + \langle y - y^{k+1}, (\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T})(y^{k+1} - y^k) \rangle \\
&= \frac{1}{2} (\|x - x^k\|_{\widehat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S}}^2 - \|x - x^{k+1}\|_{\widehat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S}}^2) - \frac{1}{2} \|x^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\widehat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S}}^2 \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2} (\|y - y^k\|_{\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 - \|y - y^{k+1}\|_{\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2) - \frac{1}{2} \|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2.
\end{aligned} \tag{4.65}$$

Then by substituting (4.63), (4.64) and (4.65) into (4.62), we get that

$$\begin{aligned}
&R(x, y) - R(x^{k+1}, y^{k+1}) - \langle d_x^k, x - x^{k+1} \rangle - \langle d_y^k, y - y^{k+1} \rangle \\
&+ \langle \mathcal{A}z, x - x^{k+1} \rangle + \langle \mathcal{B}z, y - y^{k+1} \rangle + \langle \mathcal{A}^*x + \mathcal{B}^*y - c, \tilde{z}^{k+1} - z \rangle \\
&+ \frac{\sigma}{2} (\|\mathcal{A}^*x + \mathcal{B}^*y^k - c\|^2 - \|\mathcal{A}^*x + \mathcal{B}^*y^{k+1} - c\|^2) \\
&+ \frac{1}{2} (\|x - x^k\|_{\widehat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S}}^2 + \|y - y^k\|_{\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 + \frac{1}{\tau\sigma} \|z - z^k\|^2) \\
&- \frac{1}{2} (\|x - x^{k+1}\|_{\widehat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S}}^2 + \|y - y^{k+1}\|_{\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 + \frac{1}{\tau\sigma} \|z - z^{k+1}\|^2) \\
&\geq \frac{1}{2} (\|x - x^k\|_{\Sigma_f}^2 + \|y - y^k\|_{\Sigma_g}^2 + \|x^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\mathcal{S}}^2 + \|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\mathcal{T}}^2) \\
&+ \frac{1}{2} (\sigma \|\mathcal{A}^*x^{k+1} + \mathcal{B}^*y^k - c\|^2 + (1 - \tau)\sigma \|r^{k+1}\|^2).
\end{aligned} \tag{4.66}$$

Hence, by applying the inequality (4.44) to the right hand side of (4.66), we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
& R(x, y) - R(x^{k+1}, y^{k+1}) - \langle d_x^k, x - x^{k+1} \rangle - \langle d_y^k, y - y^{k+1} \rangle \\
& + \langle \mathcal{A}z, x - x^{k+1} \rangle + \langle \mathcal{B}z, y - y^{k+1} \rangle + \langle \mathcal{A}^*x + \mathcal{B}^*y - c, \tilde{z}^{k+1} - z \rangle \\
& + \frac{\sigma}{2} (\|\mathcal{A}^*x + \mathcal{B}^*y^k - c\|^2 - \|\mathcal{A}^*x + \mathcal{B}^*y^{k+1} - c\|^2) \\
& + \frac{1}{2} (\|x - x^k\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S}}^2 + \|y - y^k\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 + \frac{1}{\tau\sigma} \|z - z^k\|^2) \\
& - \frac{1}{2} (\|x - x^{k+1}\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S}}^2 + \|y - y^{k+1}\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 + \frac{1}{\tau\sigma} \|z - z^{k+1}\|^2) \\
& + \frac{1}{2} \hat{\alpha}\sigma (\|r^k\|^2 - \|r^{k+1}\|^2) + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|y^k - y^{k-1}\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 - \frac{\alpha}{2} \|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 \\
& \geq \frac{1}{2} (\|x - x^k\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_f}^2 + \|y - y^k\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g}^2 + \|x^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\mathcal{S}}^2 + \|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\mathcal{T}}^2) \\
& - \alpha \langle d_y^k - d_y^{k-1}, y^{k+1} - y^k \rangle \\
& + \frac{1}{2} \beta \sigma \|r^{k+1}\|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|x^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\frac{(1-\alpha)\sigma}{2} \mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}^*}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|y^k - y^{k+1}\|_{\min(\tau, 1+\tau-\tau^2)\alpha\sigma\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}^*}^2.
\end{aligned} \tag{4.67}$$

Now note that by (4.29) and (4.30), we have for any  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ ,  $y \in \mathcal{Y}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
f(x^{k+1}) - f(x) + \langle \nabla f(x), x - x^{k+1} \rangle & \geq \frac{1}{2} \|x - x^{k+1}\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_f}^2, \\
g(y^{k+1}) - g(y) + \langle \nabla g(y), y - y^{k+1} \rangle & \geq \frac{1}{2} \|y - y^{k+1}\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g}^2.
\end{aligned}$$

By adding the above inequalities to (4.67) and using (2.2), together with the definitions of  $\phi_k(x, y, z)$ ,  $\mathcal{F}$ ,  $\mathcal{G}$ , and  $\beta$ , we can obtain the inequality (4.55). The proof of part (a) is completed.

(b) Since  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$  satisfies the KKT system (4.33), by the convexity of  $f$  and  $g$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
p(x^{k+1} - p(\bar{x})) + \langle \nabla f(\bar{x}) + \mathcal{A}\bar{z}, x^{k+1} - \bar{x} \rangle & \geq 0, \\
q(y^{k+1} - q(\bar{y})) + \langle \nabla g(\bar{x}) + \mathcal{B}\bar{z}, y^{k+1} - \bar{y} \rangle & \geq 0.
\end{aligned}$$

By applying the results in part (a), together with the above two inequalities, we can

get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \phi_k(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) - \phi_{k+1}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) \\
& \geq \|x^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\mathcal{F}}^2 + \|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\mathcal{G}}^2 + \beta\sigma\|r^{k+1}\|^2 \\
& \quad - 2\alpha\langle d_y^k - d_y^{k-1}, y^{k+1} - y^k \rangle - 2\langle d_x^k, x^{k+1} - \bar{x} \rangle - 2\langle d_y^k, y^{k+1} - \bar{y} \rangle \\
& = \|x^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\mathcal{F}}^2 + \beta\sigma\|r^{k+1}\|^2 + \|y^{k+1} - y^k - \alpha\mathcal{G}^{-1}(d_y^k - d_y^{k-1})\|_{\mathcal{G}}^2.
\end{aligned}$$

The proof of part (b) is completed.  $\square$

**Proposition 4.11.** *Suppose that Assumption 3 holds. Let  $\{(x^k, y^k, z^k)\}$  be the sequence generated by the imPADMM and let  $\{\bar{x}^k\}$  and  $\{\bar{y}^k\}$  be the two sequences defined by (4.36) and (4.38), respectively. Let  $\bar{z}^{k+1} := z^k + \sigma\bar{r}^{k+1}$ . Then for any  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$  and  $k \geq 1$ , the following inequalities hold:*

(a) For any  $(x, y, z) \in \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \times \mathcal{Z}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
& (p(x) + q(y)) - (p(\bar{x}^{k+1}) + q(\bar{y}^{k+1})) \\
& + \langle \nabla f(x) + \mathcal{A}z, x - \bar{x}^{k+1} \rangle + \langle \nabla g(y) + \mathcal{B}z, y - \bar{y}^{k+1} \rangle \\
& + \langle \mathcal{A}^*x + \mathcal{B}^*y - c, \bar{z}^{k+1} - z \rangle + \frac{1}{2}(\phi_k(x, y, z) - \bar{\phi}_{k+1}(x, y, z)) \\
& \geq \frac{1}{2}(\|\bar{x}^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\mathcal{F}}^2 + \|\bar{y}^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\mathcal{G}}^2 + \beta\sigma\|\bar{r}^{k+1}\|^2 + 2\alpha\langle d_y^{k-1}, \bar{y}^{k+1} - y^k \rangle).
\end{aligned} \tag{4.68}$$

(b) For any  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$  satisfying (4.33),

$$\begin{aligned}
& \phi_k(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) - \bar{\phi}_{k+1}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) + \alpha^2\|d_y^{k-1}\|_{\mathcal{G}^{-1}}^2 \\
& \geq \|\bar{x}^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\mathcal{F}}^2 + \beta\sigma\|\bar{r}^{k+1}\|^2 + \|\bar{y}^{k+1} - y^k + \alpha\mathcal{G}^{-1}d_y^{k-1}\|_{\mathcal{G}}^2.
\end{aligned} \tag{4.69}$$

*Proof.* Proof can be done by substituting  $\bar{x}^{k+1}$  and  $\bar{y}^{k+1}$  for  $x^{k+1}$  and  $y^{k+1}$  in the proof of Proposition 4.10 and using Lemma 4.9 instead of Lemma 4.8.  $\square$

### 4.3.1 Global convergence

In this subsection, we establish the global convergence of the imPADMM. Since we allow both inexactness in solving subproblems and indefinite proximal terms, we

need to combine the techniques used in [14] and [37] to obtain the global convergence results.

**Theorem 4.12.** *Suppose that the solution set to problem (4.28) is nonempty and Assumption 3 holds. Let  $\{(x^k, y^k, z^k)\}$  be the sequence generated by the imPADMM. Let  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$  be a vector satisfying the KKT system (4.33) and let  $\{\bar{x}^k\}$  and  $\{\bar{y}^k\}$  be the two sequences defined by (4.36) and (4.38), respectively. Assume that*

$$\alpha \in (\tau / \min(1 + \tau, 1 + \tau^{-1}), 1),$$

$$\mathcal{F} \succeq 0, \quad \mathcal{G} \succ 0, \quad \frac{1}{2}\Sigma_f + \mathcal{S} + \sigma\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}^* \succ 0, \quad \frac{1}{2}\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T} \succeq 0, \quad \widehat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S} \succeq 0. \quad (4.70)$$

Then, the sequence  $\{(x^k, y^k)\}$  converges to an optimal solution of problem (4.28) and  $\{z^k\}$  converges to an optimal solution to the dual of problem (4.28).

*Proof.* Note that  $\alpha \in (\tau / \min(1 + \tau, 1 + \tau^{-1}), 1)$  and  $\tau \in (0, (1 + \sqrt{5})/2)$ , by (4.41) we have  $\beta > 0$  and  $\widehat{\alpha} > 0$ . From (4.33) and the convexity of  $f$  and  $g$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} p(x^{k+1}) - p(\bar{x}) + \langle \nabla f(\bar{x}) + \mathcal{A}\bar{z}, x^{k+1} - \bar{x} \rangle &\geq 0, \\ q(y^{k+1}) - q(\bar{y}) + \langle \nabla g(\bar{y}) + \mathcal{B}\bar{z}, y^{k+1} - \bar{y} \rangle &\geq 0. \end{aligned} \quad (4.71)$$

By (4.55) and the above two inequalities (4.71), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_k(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) - \phi_{k+1}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) &\geq \|x^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\mathcal{F}}^2 + \|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\mathcal{G}}^2 + \beta\sigma\|r^{k+1}\|^2 \\ &\quad - 2\alpha\langle d_y^k - d_y^{k-1}, y^{k+1} - y^k \rangle \\ &\quad - 2\langle d_x^k, x^{k+1} - \bar{x} \rangle - 2\langle d_y^k, y^{k+1} - \bar{y} \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\mathcal{G} \succ 0$ , observing that

$$\|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\mathcal{G}}^2 - 2\alpha\langle d_y^k - d_y^{k-1}, y^{k+1} - y^k \rangle = \|y^{k+1} - y^k - \alpha\mathcal{G}^{-1}(d_y^k - d_y^{k-1})\|_{\mathcal{G}}^2 - \alpha^2\|d_y^k - d_y^{k-1}\|_{\mathcal{G}}^2,$$

we know that

$$\begin{aligned} &\phi_k(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) - \phi_{k+1}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) \\ &\quad + 2\langle d_x^k, x^{k+1} - \bar{x} \rangle + 2\langle d_y^k, y^{k+1} - \bar{y} \rangle + \alpha^2\|d_y^k - d_y^{k-1}\|_{\mathcal{G}^{-1}}^2 \\ &\geq \|x^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\mathcal{F}}^2 + \beta\sigma\|r^{k+1}\|^2 + \|y^{k+1} - y^k - \alpha\mathcal{G}^{-1}(d_y^k - d_y^{k-1})\|_{\mathcal{G}}^2. \end{aligned}$$



Similarly, it also holds that for any  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$  satisfying (4.33),

$$\begin{aligned} & \phi_k(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) - \bar{\phi}_{k+1}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) + \alpha^2 \|d_y^{k-1}\|_{\mathcal{G}^{-1}}^2 \\ & \geq \|\bar{x}^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\mathcal{F}}^2 + \beta\sigma \|\bar{r}^{k+1}\|^2 + \|\bar{y}^{k+1} - y^k + \alpha\mathcal{G}^{-1}d_y^{k-1}\|_{\mathcal{G}}^2. \end{aligned} \quad (4.72)$$

Now we are ready to prove the convergence of the sequence  $\{(x^k, y^k, z^k)\}$ . Firstly, we show that the sequence  $\{(x^k, y^k, z^k)\}$  is bounded. Denote  $x_e := x - \bar{x}$ ,  $y_e := y - \bar{y}$  and  $z_e := z - \bar{z}$  for any  $(x, y, z) \in \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \times \mathcal{Z}$ . From (4.72), we have that

$$\bar{\phi}_{k+1}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) \leq \phi_k(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) + \alpha^2 \|d_y^{k-1}\|_{\mathcal{G}^{-1}}^2.$$

Note that

$$\|\mathcal{A}^* \bar{x} + \mathcal{B}^* y^k - c\|^2 = \|\mathcal{A}^* \bar{x} + \mathcal{B}^* \bar{y} - c + \mathcal{B}^* y^k - \mathcal{B}^* \bar{y}\|^2 = \|\mathcal{B}^* y_e^k\|^2 = \|y_e^k\|_{\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}^*}^2.$$

From the definitions of  $\phi_k(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$  and  $\bar{\phi}_{k+1}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$ , and  $\mathcal{N} = \widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T} + \sigma\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}^*$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\tau\sigma} \|z_e^{k+1}\|^2 + \|\bar{x}_e^{k+1}\|_{\widehat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S}}^2 + \|\bar{y}_e^{k+1}\|_{\mathcal{N}}^2 + \widehat{\alpha}\sigma \|\bar{r}^{k+1}\|^2 + \alpha \|\bar{y}^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 \\ & \leq \frac{1}{\tau\sigma} \|z_e^k\|^2 + \|x_e^k\|_{\widehat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S}}^2 + \|y_e^k\|_{\mathcal{N}}^2 \\ & \quad + \widehat{\alpha}\sigma \|r^k\|^2 + \alpha \|y^k - y^{k-1}\|_{\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 + \alpha^2 \|d_y^{k-1}\|_{\mathcal{G}^{-1}}^2. \end{aligned} \quad (4.73)$$

Define the sequences  $\{\xi^k\}$  and  $\{\bar{\xi}^k\}$  by

$$\begin{aligned} \xi^k &:= \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tau\sigma}} z_e^k, (\widehat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S})^{\frac{1}{2}} x_e^k, \mathcal{N}^{\frac{1}{2}} y_e^k, \sqrt{\widehat{\alpha}\sigma} r^k, \sqrt{\alpha} (\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T})^{\frac{1}{2}} (y^k - y^{k-1}) \right), \\ \bar{\xi}^k &:= \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tau\sigma}} \bar{z}_e^k, (\widehat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S})^{\frac{1}{2}} \bar{x}_e^k, \mathcal{N}^{\frac{1}{2}} \bar{y}_e^k, \sqrt{\widehat{\alpha}\sigma} \bar{r}^k, \sqrt{\alpha} (\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T})^{\frac{1}{2}} (\bar{y}^k - y^{k-1}) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Obviously,  $\phi_k(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) = \|\xi^k\|^2$  and  $\bar{\phi}_k(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) = \|\bar{\xi}^k\|^2$ . Thus by (4.73), we get  $\|\bar{\xi}^{k+1}\|^2 \leq \|\xi^k\|^2 + \alpha^2 \|\mathcal{G}^{-\frac{1}{2}} d_y^{k-1}\|^2$ , which implies

$$\|\bar{\xi}^{k+1}\| \leq \|\xi^k\| + \alpha \|\mathcal{G}^{-\frac{1}{2}} d_y^{k-1}\|. \quad (4.74)$$

Therefore, we can obtain that

$$\|\xi^{k+1}\| \leq \|\xi^k\| + \alpha \|\mathcal{G}^{-\frac{1}{2}} d_y^{k-1}\| + \|\bar{\xi}^{k+1} - \xi^{k+1}\|. \quad (4.75)$$

Now we consider the last two terms in (4.75). Firstly, we estimate the term  $\|\bar{\xi}^{k+1} - \xi^{k+1}\|$ . Note that  $\hat{\alpha} + \tau \in [1, 2]$  and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|\bar{\xi}^{k+1} - \xi^{k+1}\|^2 &= \frac{1}{\tau\sigma} \|\bar{z}^{k+1} - z^{k+1}\|^2 + \|\bar{x}^{k+1} - x^{k+1}\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S}}^2 + \|\bar{y}^{k+1} - y^{k+1}\|_{\mathcal{N}}^2 \\
 &\quad + \hat{\alpha}\sigma \|\bar{r}^{k+1} - r^{k+1}\|^2 + \alpha \|\bar{y}^{k+1} - y^{k+1}\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 \\
 &= \|\bar{x}^{k+1} - x^{k+1}\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S}}^2 + \|\bar{y}^{k+1} - y^{k+1}\|_{\mathcal{N}}^2 + \alpha \|\bar{y}^{k+1} - y^{k+1}\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T}}^2 \\
 &\quad + (\tau + \hat{\alpha})\sigma \|\mathcal{A}^*(\bar{x}^{k+1} - x^{k+1}) + \mathcal{B}^*(\bar{y}^{k+1} - y^{k+1})\|^2 \\
 &\leq (1 + 2(\hat{\alpha} + \tau))(\|\bar{x}^{k+1} - x^{k+1}\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 + \|\bar{y}^{k+1} - y^{k+1}\|_{\mathcal{N}}^2) \\
 &\leq 5(\|\bar{x}^{k+1} - x^{k+1}\|_{\mathcal{M}} + \|\bar{y}^{k+1} - y^{k+1}\|_{\mathcal{N}})^2 \leq 5(1 + \varrho_1)^2 \varepsilon_k^2,
 \end{aligned}$$

where the last inequality can be obtained by applying Proposition 4.7. Thus

$$\|\bar{\xi}^{k+1} - \xi^{k+1}\| \leq \sqrt{5}(1 + \varrho_1)\varepsilon_k. \quad (4.76)$$

Clearly, from (4.39), we have

$$\|\mathcal{G}^{-\frac{1}{2}}d_y^k\| \leq \varrho_2\varepsilon_k, \quad (4.77)$$

where  $\varrho_2 := \|\mathcal{G}^{-\frac{1}{2}}\mathcal{N}^{\frac{1}{2}}\|$ . By applying (4.76) and (4.77) to (4.75), we obtain that

$$\|\xi^{k+1}\| \leq \|\xi^k\| + \sqrt{5}(1 + \varrho_1)\varepsilon_k + \varrho_2\varepsilon_{k-1}. \quad (4.78)$$

As a result, we have that the sequence  $\{\xi^{k+1}\}$  is bounded:

$$\|\xi^{k+1}\| \leq \varrho_3 := \|\xi^1\| + (\sqrt{5}(1 + \varrho_1) + \varrho_2)\mathcal{E}, \quad (4.79)$$

where  $\mathcal{E}$  is a finite number defined in (4.35). We also have that the sequence  $\{\bar{\xi}^k\}$  is bounded from (4.74), (4.77) and (4.79). Hence,  $\{\phi_k(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})\}$  and  $\{\bar{\phi}_k(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})\}$  are bounded. From the definition of  $\{\xi^k\}$  and the fact that  $\mathcal{N} \succ 0$ , we can see that the sequences  $\{y^k\}$  and  $\{z^k\}$  are bounded. We also have that the sequences  $\{r^k\}$  and  $\{(\hat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S})^{\frac{1}{2}}x^k\}$  are bounded. Note that  $\mathcal{A}^*\bar{x} = c - \mathcal{B}^*\bar{y}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|\mathcal{A}^*x^k - \mathcal{A}^*\bar{x}\|^2 &= \|\mathcal{A}^*x^k + \mathcal{B}^*\bar{y} - c\|^2 = \|r^k + \mathcal{B}^*\bar{y} - \mathcal{B}^*y^k\|^2 \\
 &\leq 2\|r^k\|^2 + 2\|\mathcal{B}\|^2\|y_e^k\|^2.
 \end{aligned} \quad (4.80)$$

Thus from the boundedness of  $\{y_e^k\}$  and  $\{r^k\}$ , we know  $\{\|x_e^k\|_{\mathcal{AA}^*}^2\}$  is bounded. Together with the fact that  $\{(\widehat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S})^{\frac{1}{2}}(x_e^k)\}$  is bounded, we conclude that  $\{\|x_e^k\|_{\widehat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S} + \sigma\mathcal{AA}^*}^2\}$  is bounded. Since  $\mathcal{M} = \widehat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S} + \sigma\mathcal{AA}^* \succeq \frac{1}{2}\Sigma_f + \mathcal{S} + \sigma\mathcal{AA}^* \succ 0$ ,  $\{x_e^k\}$  is also bounded. Consequently, we have proved that the sequence  $\{(x^k, y^k, z^k)\}$  is bounded.

Since the sequence  $\{(x^{k+1}, y^{k+1}, z^{k+1})\}$  is bounded, there exists a subsequence  $\{(x^{k_i+1}, y^{k_i+1}, z^{k_i+1})\}$  which converges to an accumulation point  $(x^\infty, y^\infty, z^\infty)$ . We now show that  $(x^\infty, y^\infty, z^\infty)$  satisfies the KKT system (4.33). By part (b) in Proposition 4.11, we know that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|\bar{x}^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\mathcal{F}}^2 + \beta\sigma\|\bar{r}^{k+1}\|^2 + \|\bar{y}^{k+1} - y^k + \alpha\mathcal{G}^{-1}d_y^{k-1}\|_{\mathcal{G}}^2 \\ & \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\phi_k(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) - \phi_{k+1}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})) + (\phi_{k+1}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) - \bar{\phi}_{k+1}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})) + \alpha^2\|d_y^{k-1}\|_{\mathcal{G}^{-1}}^2 \\ & \leq \phi_1(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) + (\varrho_2\mathcal{E})^2 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|\xi^{k+1} - \bar{\xi}^{k+1}\|(\|\xi^{k+1}\| + \|\bar{\xi}^{k+1}\|) \\ & \leq \phi_1(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) + (\varrho_2\mathcal{E})^2 + \sqrt{5}(1 + \varrho_1)\mathcal{E}(\max_{k \geq 1}\{\|\xi^{k+1}\| + \|\bar{\xi}^{k+1}\|\}) < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

From the summability of the sequences  $\{\|\bar{x}^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\mathcal{F}}^2\}$ ,  $\{\|\bar{r}^{k+1}\|^2\}$ ,  $\{\|\bar{y}^{k+1} - y^k + \alpha\mathcal{G}^{-1}d_y^{k-1}\|_{\mathcal{G}}^2\}$ , we have that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|\bar{x}^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\mathcal{F}}^2 + \|\bar{r}^{k+1}\|^2 + \|\bar{y}^{k+1} - y^k + \alpha\mathcal{G}^{-1}d_y^{k-1}\|_{\mathcal{G}}^2 = 0.$$

Thus  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|\bar{x}^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\mathcal{F}} = 0$ ,  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|\bar{y}^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\mathcal{G}} = 0$  and  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|\bar{r}^{k+1}\| = 0$ . Note that  $\mathcal{G} \succ 0$  by the assumption (4.70), and  $\mathcal{M} \succ 0$ ,  $\mathcal{N} \succ 0$ . From the fact that  $\|\bar{y}^{k+1} - y^{k+1}\|_{\mathcal{N}} \leq \varrho_1\varepsilon_k$ , and (4.77), we have that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (y^k - y^{k+1}) = 0, \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} r^{k+1} = 0. \quad (4.81)$$

Since

$$\|\mathcal{A}^*(\bar{x}^{k+1} - x^k)\| \leq \|\bar{r}^{k+1}\| + \|r^k\| + \|\mathcal{B}^*(\bar{y}^{k+1} - y^k)\|,$$

we have

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x^k - x^{k+1}\|_{\mathcal{F} + \frac{(1+\alpha)\sigma}{2}\mathcal{AA}^*} = 0.$$

Then by  $\|\bar{x}^{k+1} - x^{k+1}\|_{\mathcal{M}} \leq \varepsilon_k$ , we can get

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (x^k - x^{k+1}) = 0.$$

Now taking limits for  $k_i \rightarrow \infty$  on both sides of (4.58) and (4.60), and using (4.81), we can get that for any  $(x, y, z) \in \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \times \mathcal{Z}$ ,  $\mathcal{A}^*x^\infty + \mathcal{B}^*y^\infty - c = 0$  and

$$\begin{cases} p(x) - p(x^\infty) + \langle x - x^\infty, \nabla f(x^\infty) + \mathcal{A}z^\infty \rangle \geq 0, \\ q(y) - q(y^\infty) + \langle y - y^\infty, \nabla g(y^\infty) + \mathcal{B}z^\infty \rangle \geq 0, \end{cases}$$

which implies that  $(x^\infty, y^\infty, z^\infty)$  satisfy the KKT system (4.33), thus  $(x^\infty, y^\infty)$  is a solution to problem (4.28) and  $\{z^\infty\}$  is a solution to the corresponding dual problem. To complete the proof, we need to show that  $(x^\infty, y^\infty, z^\infty)$  is the limit of the sequence  $\{(x^k, y^k, z^k)\}$ . Without loss of generality, we assume  $(x^\infty, y^\infty, z^\infty) = (\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$ . From (4.78), we have for any  $k \geq k_i$

$$\|\xi^{k+1}\| \leq \|\xi^{k_i}\| + \sum_{j=k_i}^k (\sqrt{5}(1 + \varrho_1)\varepsilon_j + \varrho_2\varepsilon_{j-1}).$$

Since  $\lim_{k_i \rightarrow \infty} \|\xi^{k_i}\| = 0$  and  $\{\varepsilon_k\}$  is summable, we have that  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|\xi^{k+1}\| = 0$ . Thus by the definition of  $\xi^k$ , we have

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} z^k = z^\infty = \bar{z} \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} y^k = y^\infty = \bar{y}. \quad (4.82)$$

In addition, (4.80) together with (4.81) and (4.82), gives that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x^k = x^\infty = \bar{x}.$$

This completes the whole proof of the theorem.  $\square$

### 4.3.2 Iteration complexity

In this subsection we establish the iteration complexity result in non-ergodic sense for the sequence generated by the imPADMM.

First, we provide some preliminaries for the iteration complexity analysis. We denote the set of all the KKT points of problem (4.28) by  $\overline{\mathcal{W}}$  and define the function  $D : \mathcal{W} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  by

$$\begin{aligned} D(w) := & \text{dist}^2(0, \nabla f(x) + \mathcal{A}z + \partial p(x)) + \text{dist}^2(0, \nabla g(y) + \mathcal{B}z + \partial q(y)) \\ & + \|\mathcal{A}^*x + \mathcal{B}^*y - c\|^2. \end{aligned} \quad (4.83)$$

We say that  $\tilde{w} \in \mathcal{W}$  is an  $\epsilon$ -approximation solution of (4.28) if  $D(\tilde{w}) \leq \epsilon$ . The iteration complexity in terms of the KKT optimality conditions can be established in the sense that we can find a point  $\tilde{w} \in \mathcal{W}$  such that  $D(\tilde{w}) \leq \epsilon$  is satisfied with  $\epsilon = o(1/k)$  in at most  $k$  steps. Similarly as [37, Lemma 2.1], we write down the following lemma, which will be useful in analyzing the non-ergodic iteration complexity of the imPADMM.

**Lemma 4.13.** *If  $\{a_i\}$  is a nonnegative sequence satisfies  $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i = \bar{a}$ , then we have*

$$\min_{i=1, \dots, k} \{a_i\} \leq \bar{a}/k \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \{k \cdot \min_{1 \leq i \leq k} a_i\} = 0.$$

**Lemma 4.14.** *Suppose that the solution set to problem (4.28) is nonempty and Assumption 3 holds. Assume that (4.70) holds. Let  $\{(x^k, y^k, z^k)\}$  be the sequence generated by the imPADMM and  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$  be the limit point of  $\{(x^k, y^k, z^k)\}$ . Define*

$$\bar{\zeta} := 2(\sqrt{\max(2, 2/\hat{\alpha})} + 1)\varrho_3\mathcal{E} + 4\varrho_2^2\mathcal{E}'$$

and

$$\zeta_k(x, y) := \sum_{i=1}^k \left( 2\langle d_x^i, x^{i+1} - x \rangle + 2\langle d_y^i, y^{i+1} - y \rangle + \alpha^2 \|d_y^i - d_y^{i-1}\|_{\mathcal{G}^{-1}}^2 \right).$$

Then, we have

$$\zeta_k(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left( 2|\langle d_x^i, x_e^{i+1} \rangle + \langle d_y^i, y_e^{i+1} \rangle| + \alpha^2 \|d_y^i - d_y^{i-1}\|_{\mathcal{G}^{-1}}^2 \right) \leq \bar{\zeta}. \quad (4.84)$$

*Proof.* By the definition of  $\xi^{i+1}$  and (4.79), we have

$$\|y_e^{i+1}\|_{\mathcal{N}}^2 + \|x_e^{i+1}\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S}}^2 + \hat{\alpha}\sigma\|r^{i+1}\|^2 \leq \|\xi^{i+1}\|^2 \leq \varrho_3^2. \quad (4.85)$$

From (4.80), we have

$$\|x_e^{i+1}\|_{\sigma\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}^*}^2 \leq 2\sigma\|r^{i+1}\|^2 + 2\|y_e^{i+1}\|_{\sigma\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}^*}^2 \leq \frac{2}{\hat{\alpha}}(\hat{\alpha}\sigma)\|r^{i+1}\|^2 + 2\|y_e^{i+1}\|_{\mathcal{N}}^2. \quad (4.86)$$

From (4.85) and (4.86), we can obtain that

$$\|x_e^{i+1}\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 \leq \|x_e^{i+1}\|_{\hat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S}}^2 + \frac{2}{\hat{\alpha}}(\hat{\alpha}\sigma)\|r^{i+1}\|^2 + 2\|y_e^{i+1}\|_{\mathcal{N}}^2 \leq \max(2, 2/\hat{\alpha})\varrho_3^2. \quad (4.87)$$

Clearly, from (4.85) we know that

$$\|y_e^{i+1}\|_{\mathcal{N}} \leq \varrho_3. \quad (4.88)$$

Thus by using (4.39), (4.87) and (4.88), we have

$$|\langle d_x^i, x_e^{i+1} \rangle + \langle d_y^i, y_e^{i+1} \rangle| \leq (\sqrt{\max(2, 2/\widehat{\alpha})} + 1)\varrho_3\varepsilon_k. \quad (4.89)$$

Note that  $0 < \alpha < 1$ , from (4.77), we have  $\alpha\|\mathcal{G}^{-\frac{1}{2}}d_y^{k-1}\| \leq \varrho_2\varepsilon_{k-1}$ , thus

$$\alpha^2\|\mathcal{G}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(d_y^i - d_y^{i-1})\|^2 \leq 2\varrho_2^2(\varepsilon_i^2 + \varepsilon_{i-1}^2). \quad (4.90)$$

(4.89) together with (4.90), gives the inequality (4.84).  $\square$

**Theorem 4.15.** *Suppose that the solution set to problem (4.28) is nonempty and Assumption 3 holds. Assume that (4.70) holds and  $\mathcal{F} \succ 0$ . Let  $\{(x^k, y^k, z^k)\}$  be the sequence generated by the imPADMM. Then there exists a constant  $\widehat{\omega}$  such that*

$$\min_{1 \leq i \leq k} \{D(x^{i+1}, y^{i+1}, z^{i+1})\} \leq \widehat{\omega}/k \quad (4.91)$$

and

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ k \times \min_{1 \leq i \leq k} \{D(x^{i+1}, y^{i+1}, z^{i+1})\} \right\} = 0, \quad (4.92)$$

where  $D(\cdot)$  is defined as in (4.83).

*Proof.* By (4.37) and (4.48), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & d_x^k + \mathcal{P}_x^{k+1}(x^{k+1} - x^k) - (\widehat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S})(x^{k+1} - x^k) + (\tau - 1)\sigma\mathcal{A}r^{k+1} + \sigma\mathcal{A}\mathcal{B}^*(y^{k+1} - y^k) \\ & \in \partial p(x^{k+1}) + \nabla f(x^{k+1}) + \mathcal{A}z^{k+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, by (4.39) and (4.48), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & d_y^k + \mathcal{P}_y^{k+1}(y^{k+1} - y^k) - (\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T})(y^{k+1} - y^k) + (\tau - 1)\sigma\mathcal{B}r^{k+1} \\ & \in \partial q(y^{k+1}) + \nabla g(y^{k+1}) + \mathcal{B}z^{k+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Denote  $w^{k+1} := (x^{k+1}, y^{k+1}, z^{k+1})$ , by the definition of  $D(\cdot)$ , we have that

$$\begin{aligned}
& D(w^{k+1}) \\
& \leq \|d_x^k - (\widehat{\Sigma}_f + \mathcal{S} - \mathcal{P}_x^{k+1})(x^{k+1} - x^k) + (\tau - 1)\sigma\mathcal{A}r^{k+1} + \sigma\mathcal{A}\mathcal{B}^*(y^{k+1} - y^k)\|^2 \\
& \quad + \|d_y^k - (\widehat{\Sigma}_g + \mathcal{T} - \mathcal{P}_y^{k+1})(y^{k+1} - y^k) + (\tau - 1)\sigma\mathcal{B}r^{k+1}\|^2 + \|r^{k+1}\|^2. \\
& = \|d_x^k - (\mathcal{M} - \mathcal{P}_x^{k+1})(x^{k+1} - x^k) + \sigma\mathcal{A}(\tau r^{k+1} - r^k)\|^2 + \|r^{k+1}\|^2 \\
& \quad + \|d_y^k - (\mathcal{N} - \mathcal{P}_y^{k+1})(y^{k+1} - y^k) + \sigma\mathcal{B}(\tau r^{k+1} - r^k - \mathcal{A}^*(x^{k+1} - x^k))\|^2 \\
& \leq 3(\|d_x^k\|^2 + \|(\mathcal{M} - \mathcal{P}_x^{k+1})(x^{k+1} - x^k)\|^2 + \sigma^2\|\mathcal{A}(\tau r^{k+1} - r^k)\|^2) \\
& \quad + 3(\|d_y^k\|^2 + \|(\mathcal{N} - \mathcal{P}_y^{k+1})(y^{k+1} - y^k)\|^2 + 2\sigma^2\|\mathcal{B}(\tau r^{k+1} - r^k)\|^2 \\
& \quad + 2\sigma^2\|\mathcal{B}\mathcal{A}^*(x^{k+1} - x^k)\|) + \|r^{k+1}\|^2 \\
& \leq 3\|\mathcal{M}\|(\|\mathcal{M}^{-\frac{1}{2}}d_x^k\|^2 + \varrho_4\|x^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 + \sigma\|\tau r^{k+1} - r^k\|^2) \\
& \quad + 3\|\mathcal{N}\|(\|\mathcal{N}^{-\frac{1}{2}}d_y^k\|^2 + \varrho_5\|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\mathcal{N}}^2 + 2\sigma\|\tau r^{k+1} - r^k\|^2 \\
& \quad + 2\sigma^2\|\mathcal{N}^{-\frac{1}{2}}\mathcal{B}\mathcal{A}^*\mathcal{M}^{-\frac{1}{2}}\|^2\|x^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2) + \|r^{k+1}\|^2,
\end{aligned} \tag{4.93}$$

where  $\varrho_4 := 2(1 + \|\mathcal{M}^{-1}\|^2\|\widehat{\Sigma}_f\|^2)$ ,  $\varrho_5 := 2(1 + \|\mathcal{N}^{-1}\|^2\|\widehat{\Sigma}_g\|^2)$ . In the last inequality, we used the fact that  $\mathcal{M} \succeq \sigma\mathcal{A}\mathcal{A}^*$  and  $\mathcal{N} \succeq \sigma\mathcal{B}\mathcal{B}^*$  to bound the terms  $\|\mathcal{A}(\tau r^{k+1} - r^k)\|$  and  $\|\mathcal{B}(\tau r^{k+1} - r^k)\|$ . We used the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality to obtain

$$\|(\mathcal{M} - \mathcal{P}_x^{k+1})(x^{k+1} - x^k)\| \leq \|\mathcal{M}\|(2 + 2\|\mathcal{M}^{-1}\|^2\|\mathcal{P}_x^{k+1}\|^2)\|x^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2,$$

which, together with the fact that  $\widehat{\Sigma}_f \succeq \mathcal{P}_x^k \succeq 0$  for all  $k \geq 1$ , implies

$$\|(\mathcal{M} - \mathcal{P}_x^{k+1})(x^{k+1} - x^k)\| \leq \varrho_4\|\mathcal{M}\|\|x^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2.$$

Similarly, by the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality and the fact that  $\widehat{\Sigma}_g \succeq \mathcal{P}_y^k \succeq 0$  for all  $k \geq 1$ , we can get

$$\|(\mathcal{N} - \mathcal{P}_y^{k+1})(y^{k+1} - y^k)\| \leq \varrho_5\|\mathcal{N}\|\|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\mathcal{N}}^2.$$

Now we shall use Proposition 4.10 to obtain an upper bound for  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} D(w^{k+1})$ . By

using (4.56) in Proposition 4.10, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|x^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\mathcal{F}}^2 + \beta\sigma\|r^{k+1}\|^2 + \|y^{k+1} - y^k - \alpha\mathcal{G}^{-1}(d_y^k - d_y^{k-1})\|_{\mathcal{G}}^2 \\
 & \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\phi_k(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) - \phi_{k+1}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})) \\
 & \quad + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (2|\langle d_x^k, x_e^{k+1} \rangle| + 2|\langle d_y^k, y_e^{k+1} \rangle| + \alpha^2\|d_y^k - d_y^{k-1}\|_{\mathcal{G}^{-1}}^2) \\
 & \leq \phi_1(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) + \bar{\zeta},
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.94}$$

where the last inequality is from Lemma 4.14. We also notice that

$$\|y^{k+1} - y^k - \alpha\mathcal{G}^{-1}(d_y^k - d_y^{k-1})\|_{\mathcal{G}}^2 \geq \|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\mathcal{G}}^2 - 2\alpha\|\mathcal{G}^{\frac{1}{2}}(y^{k+1} - y^k)\|\|\mathcal{G}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(d_y^k - d_y^{k-1})\|.$$

Thus from (4.88) we have

$$\|\mathcal{G}^{\frac{1}{2}}(y^{k+1} - y^k)\| \leq \|\mathcal{G}^{\frac{1}{2}}\mathcal{N}^{-\frac{1}{2}}\|\varrho_3.$$

From (4.77), we have

$$\alpha\|\mathcal{G}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(d_y^k - d_y^{k-1})\| \leq \varrho_2(\varepsilon_k + \varepsilon_{k-1}).$$

Applying the above three inequalities together to (4.94), we know that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\|x^{k+1} - x^k\|_{\mathcal{F}}^2 + \beta\sigma\|r^{k+1}\|^2 + \|y^{k+1} - y^k\|_{\mathcal{G}}^2) \\
 & \leq \phi_1(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) + \bar{\zeta} + 4\|\mathcal{G}^{\frac{1}{2}}\mathcal{N}^{-\frac{1}{2}}\|\varrho_2\mathcal{E}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.95}$$

Let  $\omega_4 := \frac{1}{\beta\sigma} + 3\max(\|\mathcal{M}\|, \|\mathcal{N}\|)$ , and

$$\omega_5 = \max\left((\varrho_4 + 2\sigma^2\|\mathcal{N}^{-\frac{1}{2}}\mathcal{BA}^*\mathcal{M}^{-\frac{1}{2}}\|^2)\|\mathcal{F}^{-1}\mathcal{M}\|, \varrho_2\varrho_5, \frac{6(1 + \tau^2)}{\beta} + 1\right).$$

By summing up the inequalities (4.93) from  $k = 1$  to  $\infty$  and applying the inequality (4.95) to it, we can get

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} D(w^{k+1}) \leq \omega_4(2\mathcal{E}' + \omega_5(\frac{6}{\beta}\|r^1\|^2 + \phi_1(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}) + \bar{\zeta} + 4\|\mathcal{G}^{\frac{1}{2}}\mathcal{N}^{-\frac{1}{2}}\|\varrho_2\mathcal{E})).$$

Therefore, from Lemma 4.13, we have that both (4.91) and (4.92) hold.  $\square$



## 4.4 Numerical experiments

In this section, we consider the following quadratically constrained QSDP problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \frac{1}{2} \langle X, \mathcal{Q}X \rangle + \langle C, X \rangle \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \mathcal{A}_E X = b_E, \quad \mathcal{A}_I X \geq b_I, \quad g(X) \leq 0, \quad X \in \mathcal{S}_+^n \cap \mathcal{N}, \end{aligned} \quad (4.96)$$

where  $\mathcal{S}_+^n$  is the cone of  $n \times n$  symmetric and positive semidefinite matrices in the space of  $n \times n$  symmetric matrices  $\mathcal{S}^n$ ,  $\mathcal{Q} : \mathcal{S}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^n$  is a self-adjoint positive semidefinite linear operator,  $\mathcal{A}_E : \mathcal{S}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m_E}$  and  $\mathcal{A}_I : \mathcal{S}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m_I}$  are two linear maps,  $C \in \mathcal{S}^n$ ,  $b_E \in \mathbb{R}^{m_E}$  and  $b_I \in \mathbb{R}^{m_I}$  are given data,  $\mathcal{N}$  is a nonempty simple closed convex set, e.g.,  $\mathcal{N} = \{X \in \mathcal{S}^n \mid X \geq 0\}$ . Map  $g : \mathcal{S}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^l$  consists of quadratic functions  $g_i : \mathcal{S}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, l$  defined by

$$g_i(X) := \frac{1}{2} \langle X, \mathcal{Q}_i X \rangle + \langle C_i, X \rangle + d_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, l,$$

where  $\mathcal{Q}_i : \mathcal{S}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^n$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, l$  are self-adjoint positive semidefinite linear operators, and  $C_i \in \mathcal{S}^n$ ,  $d_i \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, l$  are given data. The dual problem associated with (4.96) is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & -\Psi(Z, \lambda) - \frac{1}{2} \langle W, \mathcal{Q}W \rangle + \langle b_E, y_E \rangle + \langle b_I, y_I \rangle \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & Z - \mathcal{Q}W + S + \mathcal{A}_E^* y_E + \mathcal{A}_I^* y_I = C, \\ & y_I \in \mathbb{R}_+^{m_I}, \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^l, \quad S \in \mathcal{S}_+^n, \quad W \in \mathcal{W}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Psi(Z, \lambda) = \sup_{U \in \mathcal{S}^n} \{-\langle U, Z \rangle - \langle \lambda, g(U) \rangle - \delta_{\mathcal{N}}(U)\}$ ,  $\mathcal{W}$  is any subspace in  $\mathcal{S}^n$  such that  $\text{Range}(\mathcal{Q}) \subset \mathcal{W}$ . Typically,  $\mathcal{W}$  is chosen to be either  $\mathcal{S}^n$  or  $\text{Range}(\mathcal{Q})$ . Here we fix  $\mathcal{W} = \mathcal{S}^n$ . As in (4.4), we introduce a slack variable  $\zeta$  and a positive definite linear operator  $\mathcal{D} : \mathcal{Y}_I \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_I$ , to obtain the following equivalent problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \Psi(z, \lambda) + \delta_{\mathbb{R}_+^l}(\lambda) + \delta_{\mathbb{R}_+^{m_I}}(\zeta) + \frac{1}{2} \langle W, \mathcal{Q}W \rangle + \delta_{\mathcal{S}_+^n}(S) - \langle b_E, y_E \rangle - \langle b_I, y_I \rangle \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & Z - \mathcal{Q}W + S + \mathcal{A}_E^* y_E + \mathcal{A}_I^* y_I = C, \\ & \mathcal{D}(\zeta - y_I) = 0, \quad W \in \mathcal{W}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.97)$$

Now we can apply our algorithm to problem (4.97).

The KKT conditions for (4.96) and its dual are given as follows:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{A}_E^* y_E + \mathcal{A}_I^* y_I + S + Z - \mathcal{Q}W - C = 0, \mathcal{A}_E X - b_E = 0, \\ 0 \in N_{\mathcal{N}}(X) + \nabla g(X)\lambda + Z, \mathcal{Q}X - \mathcal{Q}W = 0, \\ \mathcal{A}_I X - b_I \geq 0, y_I \geq 0, \langle \mathcal{A}_I X - b_I, y_I \rangle = 0, \\ g(X) \leq 0, \lambda \geq 0, \langle \lambda, g(X) \rangle = 0, \\ X \in \mathcal{S}_+^n, S \in \mathcal{S}_+^n, \langle X, S \rangle = 0, \end{array} \right. \quad (4.98)$$

where  $N_{\mathcal{N}}(X)$  denotes the normal cone of  $\mathcal{N}$  at  $X$ . We measure the accuracy of our algorithm based on the optimality conditions (4.98). For an approximate optimal solution  $(X, Z, \lambda, W, S, y_E, y_I)$  for (4.96) and its dual by using the following relative residual:

$$\eta = \max\{\eta_P, \eta_D, \eta_W, \eta_S, \eta_X, \eta_Z, \eta_I, \eta_q\},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_P &= \frac{\|\mathcal{A}_E X - b_E\|}{1 + \|b_E\|}, \quad \eta_D = \frac{\|\mathcal{A}_E^* y_E + \mathcal{A}_I^* y_I + S + Z - \mathcal{Q}W - C\|}{1 + \|C\|}, \\ \eta_W &= \frac{\|\mathcal{Q}X - \mathcal{Q}W\|}{1 + \|\mathcal{Q}\|}, \quad \eta_S = \max\left\{\frac{\|X - \Pi_{\mathcal{S}_+^n}(X)\|}{1 + \|X\|}, \frac{|\langle X, S \rangle|}{1 + \|X\| + \|S\|}\right\}, \\ \eta_X &= \frac{\|X - \Pi_{\mathcal{N}}(X)\|}{1 + \|X\|}, \quad \eta_Z = \frac{\|X - \Pi_{\mathcal{N}}(X - Z - \nabla g(X)\lambda)\|}{1 + \|X\| + \|Z\| + \|\nabla g(X)\lambda\|}, \\ \eta_I &= \max\left\{\frac{\|\min(0, y_I)\|}{1 + \|y_I\|}, \frac{\|\min(0, \mathcal{A}_I X - b_I)\|}{1 + \|b_I\|}, \frac{|\langle \mathcal{A}_I X - b_I, y_I \rangle|}{1 + \|\mathcal{A}_I X - b_I\| + \|y_I\|}\right\}, \\ \eta_q &= \max\left\{\frac{\|\max(0, g(X))\|}{1 + \|g(X)\|}, \frac{\|\min(0, \lambda)\|}{1 + \|\lambda\|}, \frac{|\langle g(X), \lambda \rangle|}{1 + \|g(X)\| + \|\lambda\|}\right\}. \end{aligned}$$

We terminate Algorithm 1 when  $\eta < 10^{-6}$  or when the maximum number of iterations is reached. All the problems in this section are tested by running MATLAB on a PC with 24 GB memory, 2.80GHz quad-core CPU.

In Example 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, and 4.4, all the linear equality and linear inequality constraints are extracted from the test examples in [72]. Our test instances are

constructed based on relaxation of binary integer quadratic (BIQ) programming problems. More explicitly, the problem we solve have the following form:

(i) The QSDP-BIQ-Q problem is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \frac{1}{2}\langle X, \mathcal{Q}X \rangle + \frac{1}{2}\langle Q, Y \rangle + \langle c, x \rangle \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \text{diag}(Y) - x = 0, \quad \alpha = 1, \\ & X = \begin{pmatrix} Y & x \\ x^T & \alpha \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{S}_+^n, \quad X \in \mathcal{N}, \\ & \frac{1}{2}\langle X, \tilde{\mathcal{Q}}X \rangle + \langle \tilde{C}, X \rangle + \tilde{d} \leq 0, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathcal{N} = \{X \in \mathcal{S}^n \mid X \geq 0\}$ . In our numerical experiments, the test data for  $Q$  and  $c$  are taken from Biq Mac Library maintained by Wiegele, which is available at <http://biqmac.uni-klu.ac.at/biqmaclib.html>.  $\tilde{\mathcal{Q}} : \mathcal{S}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{S}^n$  is a self-adjoint positive semidefinite linear operator,  $\tilde{C} \in \mathcal{S}^n$  and  $\tilde{d} \in \mathbb{R}$  are given data.

(ii) The QSDP-exBIQ-Q problem is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \frac{1}{2}\langle X, \mathcal{Q}X \rangle + \frac{1}{2}\langle Q, Y \rangle + \langle c, x \rangle \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \text{diag}(Y) - x = 0, \quad \alpha = 1, \\ & X = \begin{pmatrix} Y & x \\ x^T & \alpha \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{S}_+^n, \quad X \in \mathcal{N} := \{X \in \mathcal{S}^n \mid X \geq 0\}, \\ & -Y_{ij} + x_i \geq 0, \quad -Y_{ij} + x_j \geq 0, \quad Y_{ij} - x_i - x_j \geq -1, \\ & \forall i < j, \quad j = 2, \dots, n-1, \\ & \frac{1}{2}\langle X, \tilde{\mathcal{Q}}X \rangle + \langle \tilde{C}, X \rangle + \tilde{d} \leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

**Example 4.1.** The QSDP-BIQ-Q problem. In the quadratic constraint

$$\frac{1}{2}\langle X, \tilde{\mathcal{Q}}X \rangle + \langle \tilde{C}, X \rangle + \tilde{d} \leq 0,$$

$\tilde{\mathcal{Q}}$  is chosen as the symmetric Kronecker operator  $\tilde{\mathcal{Q}}(X) = \frac{1}{2}(AXB + BXA)$ , with  $A$ ,  $B$  being matrices truncated from two different large correlation matrices (Russell

1000 and Russell 2000) fetched from Yahoo finance by MATLAB. The matrix  $\tilde{C}$  is randomly generated by

$$C = \text{rand}(n); \quad C = -0.5 * (C + C');$$

We get  $d_0$  from a feasible point  $\bar{X}$  of SDP-BIQ by letting  $d_0 = -(\frac{1}{2}\langle \bar{X}, \tilde{Q}\bar{X} \rangle + \langle \tilde{C}, \bar{X} \rangle)$ , and then let  $\tilde{d}$  be  $(d_0 - 0.2|d_0|)$ ,  $d_0$ ,  $(d_0 + 0.1|d_0|)$  and  $(d_0 + 0.2|d_0|)$ , respectively.

We report the detailed numerical results for Example 4.1 in Table 4.1. The first column of the table gives the problem name, the dimension of the variable, the number of linear equality constraints and inequality constraints, respectively. The second column gives the total number of iterations of our proposed algorithm. In the third column, we list the accuracy we obtain when the algorithm terminates. The last column gives the running time of Algorithm 1. we let the maximum number of iterations be 50,000. For  $\tilde{d} = d_0 - 0.2|d_0|$ ,  $\tilde{d} = d_0$ ,  $\tilde{d} = d_0 + 0.1|d_0|$  and  $\tilde{d} = d_0 + 0.2|d_0|$ , we can solve 130, 125, 122 and 118 problems to the required accuracy, respectively.

**Example 4.2.** The QSDP-BIQ-Q problem. The quadratic constraint has the following form:

$$\|\mathcal{A}_I X - b_I\|^2 \leq \langle H, X \rangle + d,$$

where  $\mathcal{A}_I$  and  $b_I$  are the same as in the QSDP-exBIQ-Q problem,  $H$  is generated by the following commands:

$$H = \text{rand}(n); \quad H = 0.01 * (H + H') / \text{norm}(H, 'fro');$$

and  $d$  is chosen to be  $m_I$ ,  $m_I/4$ ,  $m_I/9$ ,  $m_I/16$ , respectively.

We report the detailed numerical results of Example 4.2 in Table 4.2. We can solve most of the problems to required accuracy ( $\eta < 10^{-6}$ ) except for the case  $d = m_I/16$ . When  $d = m_I/16$ , there are 8 instances can not be solved to the required accuracy within 25,000 iterations, and the numerical results in the table indicate that in fact 7 problems of them are infeasible.

**Example 4.3.** The QSDP-BIQ-Q problem. In this example, we use the constraint

$$\|X - G\|^2 \leq d,$$

where  $G$  is generated by

$$G = \text{randn}(n); \quad G = 0.01 * (G + G') / \text{norm}(G, 'fro');$$

and  $d$  is chosen to be  $((n-1)/2)^2$ ,  $((n-1)/3)^2$ ,  $((n-1)/4)^2$ ,  $((n-1)/5)^2$ , respectively.

Detailed numerical results of Example 4.3 are reported in Table 4.3. We can solve all the problem to the accuracy  $\eta < 10^{-6}$  within 25,000 iterations except one instance ‘bqp500-8’, when  $d = ((n-1)/2)^2$ .

**Example 4.4.** The QSDP-exBIQ-Q problem. The quadratic constraint we use has the same format as in Example 4.3. Here  $G$  is generated by solving the corresponding QSDP-exBIQ problem to accuracy of  $10^{-2}$ , and  $d$  is chosen to be  $0.09\|G\|^2$ ,  $0.25\|G\|^2$  and  $0.49\|G\|^2$ , respectively.

The detailed numerical results for Example 4.4 are reported in Table 4.4. We can solve all the test examples to accuracy of  $10^{-6}$ , except for the instance ‘be120.3.10’ when  $d = 0.09\|G\|^2$ .

Table 4.1: Example 4.1. Performance of Algorithm 1 on QSDP-BIQ-Q problems.  $a : d = (d_0 - 0.2|d_0|)$ ,  $b : d = d_0$ ,  $c : d = (d_0 + 0.1|d_0|)$  and  $d : d = (d_0 + 0.2|d_0|)$ . Maximum number of iterations: 50,000.

problem   $m$   $n_s; n_l$	iteration a b c d	$\eta$ a b c d	$\eta_{gap}$ a b c d	time a b c d
be100.1   101 ; 101 ;	2404   2954   2417   2111	9.8-7   9.6-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-2.9-8   -9.6-8   -9.6-8   8.0-8	25   29   24   22
be100.2   101 ; 101 ;	2517   2844   2018   1669	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-9.7-7   -1.3-7   -1.3-7   <b>-4.1-6</b>	28   35   27   21
be100.3   101 ; 101 ;	2697   1902   2001   2936	9.3-7   9.5-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-1.9-7   8.3-7   8.3-7   -1.5-7	34   24   25   34
be100.4   101 ; 101 ;	3006   2730   1770   1769	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	1.7-7   -1.1-8   -1.1-8   <b>-2.1-6</b>	37   34   22   21
be100.5   101 ; 101 ;	2699   1952   2014   1775	9.8-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-6.2-8   -5.6-7   -5.6-7   <b>-2.3-6</b>	33   24   24   21
be100.6   101 ; 101 ;	2005   1915   1898   2227	9.9-7   9.7-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-4.1-7   <b>-1.2-6</b>   <b>-1.2-6</b>   -5.5-8	25   23   23   27
be100.7   101 ; 101 ;	1833   1701   1466   1869	9.8-7   9.8-7   7.9-7   9.9-7	7.0-7   1.7-7   1.7-7   -1.5-7	24   21   18   23
be100.8   101 ; 101 ;	1762   1601   1331   1269	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	4.8-7   3.8-7   3.8-7   <b>-1.2-6</b>	22   20   17   15
be100.9   101 ; 101 ;	1344   1256   1193   1173	8.2-7   9.5-7   9.9-7   9.7-7	<b>2.1-6</b>   7.6-7   7.6-7   9.4-7	17   16   15   15
be100.10   101 ; 101 ;	3302   3283   2538   1847	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.7-7   9.9-7	-3.8-8   -4.0-8   -4.0-8   <b>-1.8-6</b>	40   40   31   22
be120.3.1   121 ; 121 ;	2775   2042   2107   2901	9.7-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   8.2-7	4.5-7   1.4-8   1.4-8   -2.1-7	46   34   35   47
be120.3.2   121 ; 121 ;	2525   2361   2498   2901	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   8.6-7	8.0-7   -3.2-7   -3.2-7   -1.9-7	42   38   40   46
be120.3.3   121 ; 121 ;	2315   2318   1595   1619	9.9-7   9.8-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	7.3-7   2.8-7   2.8-7   -3.5-7	38   38   26   26
be120.3.4   121 ; 121 ;	2650   2325   1612   1901	9.7-7   9.7-7   9.8-7   9.2-7	-8.7-7   <b>2.5-6</b>   <b>2.5-6</b>   3.0-8	46   39   27   31
be120.3.5   121 ; 121 ;	1846   2070   1554   2511	9.9-7   9.7-7   9.9-7   9.6-7	<b>1.7-6</b>   <b>2.4-6</b>   <b>2.4-6</b>   7.6-8	31   35   26   40
be120.3.6   121 ; 121 ;	2754   1823   1956   2320	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7   9.9-7	-2.9-8   -5.9-7   -5.9-7   -3.8-8	44   30   33   37
be120.3.7   121 ; 121 ;	3426   3360   3519   3101	8.8-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   8.3-7	-4.3-8   4.8-8   4.8-8   5.5-8	56   55   57   50
be120.3.8   121 ; 121 ;	2441   1698   1901   3001	9.1-7   9.8-7   8.3-7   9.0-7	<b>1.8-6</b>   <b>-2.3-6</b>   <b>-2.3-6</b>   -3.3-8	41   28   31   49
be120.3.9   121 ; 121 ;	2022   2202   3994   2868	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-5.8-7   -4.8-7   -4.8-7   -2.3-7	34   36   1:13   46
be120.3.10   121 ; 121 ;	3040   3174   2336   2301	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-8.8-8   -2.0-7   -2.0-7   -6.0-7	50   50   38   37
be120.8.1   121 ; 121 ;	1727   1632   1836   1877	9.9-7   8.7-7   9.3-7   9.6-7	<b>-4.5-6</b>   <b>1.8-6</b>   <b>1.8-6</b>   -5.3-7	30   28   32   33

Table 4.1: Example 4.1. Performance of Algorithm 1 on QSDP-BIQ-Q problems.  $a : d = (d_0 - 0.2|d_0|)$ ,  $b : d = d_0$ ,  $c : d = (d_0 + 0.1|d_0|)$  and  $d : d = (d_0 + 0.2|d_0|)$ . Maximum number of iterations: 50,000.

problem   $m$   $n_s; n_l$	iteration		$\eta$		$\eta_{gap}$		time	
	a b c d		a b c d		a b c d		a b c d	
be120.8.2   121 ; 121 ;	2094	2052   3076   3121	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-5.2-7   3.4-7   3.4-7   -1.8-7		32   32   45   46	
be120.8.3   121 ; 121 ;	1739	2431   2504   1827	9.7-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.6-7	<b>2.7-6</b>   -3.6-7   -3.6-7   -5.0-7		28   36   37   29	
be120.8.4   121 ; 121 ;	3566	2823   3018   2560	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	<b>-1.0-6</b>   <b>-1.1-6</b>   <b>-1.1-6</b>   -7.1-9		56   44   47   40	
be120.8.5   121 ; 121 ;	3115	2909   2161   2145	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	1.3-7   2.9-7   2.9-7   -2.9-7		48   46   34   33	
be120.8.6   121 ; 121 ;	2300	2685   1895   1907	8.6-7	9.9-7   8.2-7   9.9-7	9.2-7   3.4-7   3.4-7   -5.1-7		35   40   30   31	
be120.8.7   121 ; 121 ;	2721	1644   1775   1833	9.6-7	9.8-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	2.9-7   8.4-8   8.4-8   4.9-7		42   26   28   28	
be120.8.8   121 ; 121 ;	2608	2000   1781   1907	9.8-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-9.0-8   -1.7-7   -1.7-7   4.7-8		40   31   27   29	
be120.8.9   121 ; 121 ;	2458	1800   1856   2065	8.7-7	9.8-7   8.6-7   9.9-7	<b>2.8-6</b>   <b>-2.9-6</b>   <b>-2.9-6</b>   1.9-8		40   28   30   31	
be120.8.10   121 ; 121 ;	2950	2893   2189   2202	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	-4.2-7   -6.3-7   -6.3-7   5.2-7		46   44   33   34	
be150.3.1   151 ; 151 ;	3517	2901   3101   4001	9.9-7	9.3-7   9.2-7   9.6-7	2.9-7   1.5-7   1.5-7   9.8-8	1.15   1.02   1.06   1.26	58   44   1.03   1.05	
be150.3.2   151 ; 151 ;	2690	1948   3001   3001	9.4-7	9.6-7   7.9-7   9.3-7	-3.5-7   -9.8-7   -9.8-7   3.8-9		59   58   35   43	
be150.3.3   151 ; 151 ;	2705	2636   1600   2030	9.8-7	9.9-7   6.5-7   9.9-7	<b>2.1-6</b>   <b>-1.2-6</b>   <b>-1.2-6</b>   7.2-8		1.17   46   55   1.06	
be150.3.4   151 ; 151 ;	3671	2148   2612   3101	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.7-7	-2.6-7   -7.5-7   -7.5-7   -1.6-7		57   57   59   2.10	
be150.3.5   151 ; 151 ;	2572	2555   2801   6101	9.3-7	9.8-7   9.7-7   9.9-7	<b>2.3-6</b>   -5.0-7   -5.0-7   5.2-8		1.11   59   41   47	
be150.3.6   151 ; 151 ;	3343	2732   1901   2201	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.2-7   9.4-7	3.0-7   2.1-7   2.1-7   8.6-9		58   37   52   1.14	
be150.3.7   151 ; 151 ;	2669	1730   2499   3601	9.2-7	9.9-7   9.8-7   9.9-7	9.5-7   3.1-7   3.1-7   7.5-7		58   34   1.30   10.22	
be150.3.8   151 ; 151 ;	2697	1622   4301   29601	9.4-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-8.8-7   4.3-7   4.3-7   -1.7-7		35   46   31   44	
be150.3.9   151 ; 151 ;	1567	2074   1410   2101	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	-4.8-7   6.4-7   6.4-7   9.0-8		1.34   1.06   1.14   3.00	
be150.3.10   151 ; 151 ;	4343	3058   3510   8401	9.9-7	9.8-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-4.1-7   -3.1-7   -3.1-7   -4.5-8		1.13   55   43   35	
be150.8.1   151 ; 151 ;	3417	2553   2053   1601	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   8.2-7	3.2-7   2.0-8   2.0-8   1.3-7		1.07   1.01   42   56	
be150.8.2   151 ; 151 ;	3140	2827   1910   2665	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-2.7-7   -5.2-7   -5.2-7   -3.7-7			

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problem   $m$   $n_s; n_l$	iteration a b c d	$\eta$ a b c d	$\eta_{gap}$ a b c d	time a b c d
be150.8.3   151 ; 151 ;	3496   2834   2245   2654	9.6-7   9.9-7   9.8-7   9.5-7	-1.8-7   8.8-7   8.8-7   3.4-8	1:16   1:02   48   56
be150.8.4   151 ; 151 ;	2689   2654   1899   2166	7.3-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-1.2-7   5.7-7   5.7-7   -5.2-8	58   57   41   46
be150.8.5   151 ; 151 ;	3372   2691   1915   2024	9.1-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.7-7	-4.4-7   -2.6-7   -2.6-7   4.2-7	1:13   57   41   46
be150.8.6   151 ; 151 ;	3218   2524   1643   1620	9.9-7   9.0-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	<b>1.0-6</b>   <b>-1.1-6</b>   <b>-1.1-6</b>   -3.0-7	1:08   54   35   35
be150.8.7   151 ; 151 ;	4047   3441   2517   3339	9.9-7   9.9-7   8.6-7   9.9-7	-3.0-7   -3.8-7   -3.8-7   -1.4-8	1:25   1:13   54   1:10
be150.8.8   151 ; 151 ;	3375   2887   1920   1992	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7   9.6-7	-1.5-7   -1.7-7   -1.7-7   -1.4-7	1:12   1:02   41   42
be150.8.9   151 ; 151 ;	2955   3050   2295   2152	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	3.3-7   5.4-7   5.4-7   1.0-9	1:03   1:01   47   43
be150.8.10   151 ; 151 ;	3283   2341   1763   1915	9.9-7   9.9-7   7.4-7   9.9-7	<b>-1.7-6</b>   -1.8-9   -1.8-9   2.3-7	1:07   47   36   39
be200.3.1   201 ; 201 ;	3434   2320   3001   3201	9.9-7   9.9-7   8.9-7   9.7-7	-5.3-7   -1.6-8   -1.6-8   2.3-7	1:44   1:25   1:47   1:56
be200.3.2   201 ; 201 ;	3210   1698   1714   1801	9.7-7   9.9-7   9.6-7   8.6-7	-2.4-7   <b>-2.5-6</b>   <b>-2.5-6</b>   -5.6-7	1:59   1:01   1:06   1:05
be200.3.3   201 ; 201 ;	3191   2944   4366   10801	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	<b>-1.5-6</b>   -2.4-7   -2.4-7   -3.8-7	1:52   1:46   2:35   6:24
be200.3.4   201 ; 201 ;	2450   2894   2701   2801	9.5-7   9.9-7   7.3-7   9.1-7	7.9-8   -2.6-7   -2.6-7   -1.5-8	1:29   1:45   1:38   1:41
be200.3.5   201 ; 201 ;	2822   2879   3001   3301	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.0-7   8.9-7	-9.8-8   -1.7-7   -1.7-7   -1.4-7	1:44   1:44   1:45   1:57
be200.3.6   201 ; 201 ;	1989   3101   3301   3301	9.7-7   9.7-7   9.6-7   8.9-7	2.2-7   -4.2-7   -4.2-7   -3.4-7	1:17   1:50   1:58   1:54
be200.3.7   201 ; 201 ;	2388   2758   3201   9401	9.8-7   9.9-7   8.8-7   9.9-7	4.4-8   -1.5-7   -1.5-7   -4.8-7	1:20   1:32   1:46   5:09
be200.3.8   201 ; 201 ;	1787   2601   2901   3101	9.7-7   9.9-7   8.5-7   8.8-7	-2.4-7   -2.7-8   -2.7-8   2.0-7	1:01   1:26   1:37   1:43
be200.3.9   201 ; 201 ;	3619   3916   3508   3401	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.2-7	3.1-7   7.3-7   7.3-7   -5.9-7	2:01   2:11   1:57   1:53
be200.3.10   201 ; 201 ;	2583   1595   2601   2001	9.6-7   9.5-7   7.9-7   8.8-7	9.4-7   <b>-1.1-6</b>   <b>-1.1-6</b>   -5.6-7	1:28   56   1:31   1:07
be200.8.1   201 ; 201 ;	4093   4381   2814   2885	9.8-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	1.9-7   8.0-7   8.0-7   5.1-8	2:18   2:25   1:33   1:34
be200.8.2   201 ; 201 ;	3350   3558   2212   1990	9.9-7   9.8-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	<b>-3.1-6</b>   <b>-3.5-6</b>   <b>-3.5-6</b>   1.6-8	1:49   1:53   1:14   1:09
be200.8.3   201 ; 201 ;	3692   3591   3759   2912	9.8-7   9.5-7   9.6-7   9.9-7	<b>2.7-6</b>   <b>1.4-6</b>   <b>1.4-6</b>   1.7-7	2:03   1:59   2:02   1:35



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problem   $m$   $n_s; n_l$		iteration		$\eta$		$\eta_{gap}$		time			
		a b c d		a b c d		a b c d		a b c d			
be200.8.4   201 ; 201 ;		4243	4006   3561   1932	9.9-7	9.8-7   9.6-7   5.7-7	3.5-8	<b>2.5-6</b>   <b>2.5-6</b>   -1.9-7	2:19	2:13	1:59	1:05
be200.8.5   201 ; 201 ;		4082	3781   3966   3111	9.6-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	<b>-1.2-6</b>   <b>-1.9-6</b>   <b>-1.9-6</b>   2.0-7	2:16	2:06	2:13	1:38	
be200.8.6   201 ; 201 ;		4263	3115   3451   3790	9.8-7	9.9-7   7.3-7   9.9-7	-3.7-7   -1.2-7   -1.2-7   7.6-8	2:22	1:43	1:52	2:03	
be200.8.7   201 ; 201 ;		3679	3589   2652   2599	9.9-7	9.8-7   4.3-7   9.9-7	8.9-7   -4.8-7   -4.8-7   -8.7-8	2:01	1:57	1:25	1:22	
be200.8.8   201 ; 201 ;		2981	3759   2705   2446	8.8-7	9.8-7   9.9-7   9.4-7	-4.3-7   6.2-7   6.2-7   3.2-7	1:35	2:02	1:30	1:19	
be200.8.9   201 ; 201 ;		3836	3994   3369   3277	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-5.3-7   <b>2.1-6</b>   <b>2.1-6</b>   <b>1.3-6</b>	2:05	2:08	1:47	1:46	
be200.8.10   201 ; 201 ;		3842	4038   3326   3296	9.9-7	6.1-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-1.5-9   4.5-8   4.5-8   4.3-7	2:06	2:07	1:48	1:48	
be250.1   251 ; 251 ;		42480	50000   50000   50000	9.9-7	<b>1.5-6</b>   <b>1.6-6</b>   <b>2.8-6</b>	<b>-1.0-6</b>   -9.6-7   -9.6-7   <b>-1.3-6</b>	34:53	39:15	38:36	38:44	
be250.2   251 ; 251 ;		23701	37201   50000   50000	9.9-7	9.9-7   <b>1.1-6</b>   <b>1.6-6</b>	-8.4-7   -9.8-7   -9.8-7   9.5-7	15:56	23:29	31:47	32:09	
be250.3   251 ; 251 ;		36562	50000   50000   50000	9.9-7	<b>1.6-6</b>   <b>1.6-6</b>   <b>2.9-6</b>	4.2-7   -5.2-7   -5.2-7   -2.2-7	23:35	32:35	32:38	32:48	
be250.4   251 ; 251 ;		37838	39589   50000   50000	9.9-7	9.9-7   <b>1.1-6</b>   <b>1.1-6</b>	-3.1-7   -4.7-7   -4.7-7   -6.6-7	24:26	25:38	32:24	32:23	
be250.5   251 ; 251 ;		16301	30115   49946   50000	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   <b>1.1-6</b>	-7.1-7   -6.2-7   -6.2-7   1.2-9	10:28	19:30	32:19	32:39	
be250.6   251 ; 251 ;		14601	32601   31376   36901	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-4.5-7   -5.1-7   -5.1-7   -4.9-7	9:20	20:56	20:07	23:41	
be250.7   251 ; 251 ;		50000	50000   50000   50000	<b>1.8-6</b>	<b>3.1-6</b>   <b>2.6-6</b>   <b>2.5-6</b>	-6.9-7   <b>-1.2-6</b>   <b>-1.2-6</b>   <b>-2.0-6</b>	32:02	32:25	32:37	32:36	
be250.8   251 ; 251 ;		31409	50000   50000   50000	9.9-7	<b>1.1-6</b>   <b>1.2-6</b>   <b>1.4-6</b>	-9.2-7   -4.4-7   -4.4-7   -2.5-7	20:51	32:41	32:13	32:15	
be250.9   251 ; 251 ;		18440	50000   50000   50000	9.9-7	<b>1.2-6</b>   <b>1.2-6</b>   <b>1.7-6</b>	3.5-7   -2.2-7   -2.2-7   4.3-7	11:58	32:53	32:46	33:04	
be250.10   251 ; 251 ;		18201	41601   50000   50000	9.9-7	9.9-7   <b>1.6-6</b>   <b>1.3-6</b>	2.8-7   -2.6-7   -2.6-7   -5.6-7	11:42	26:49	32:47	33:14	
bqp100-1   101 ; 101 ;		2146	1756   2053   1852	9.8-7	9.9-7   9.5-7   9.9-7	<b>2.4-6</b>   -5.8-8   -5.8-8   4.7-7	23	20	28	23	
bqp100-2   101 ; 101 ;		3095	2468   2801   4501	9.9-7	9.9-7   8.5-7   9.9-7	4.8-7   -1.4-7   -1.4-7   5.3-8	38	30	33	53	
bqp100-3   101 ; 101 ;		2792	2834   3401   50000	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   <b>1.8-6</b>	-2.4-7   2.2-7   2.2-7   -1.9-7	33	33	40	9:48	
bqp100-4   101 ; 101 ;		2396	2545   2321   2801	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.5-7   8.6-7	2.2-7   -5.3-7   -5.3-7   5.0-8	29	30	27	32	

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problem	$m \mid n_s; n_l$	iteration a b c d	$\eta$ a b c d	$\eta_{gap}$ a b c d	time a b c d
bqp100-5	101 ; 101 ;	3246   2562   2017   2901	9.9-7   9.9-7   6.9-7   8.8-7	-2.2-7   -1.7-7   -1.7-7   -8.4-8	38   30   23   34
bqp100-6	101 ; 101 ;	2500   2807   3672   5701	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-5.7-7   6.7-8   6.7-8   2.4-7	30   33   43   1:07
bqp100-7	101 ; 101 ;	1897   1896   3101   3401	7.1-7   6.8-7   8.9-7   9.4-7	<b>2.2-6</b>   <b>-1.6-6</b>   <b>-1.6-6</b>   3.0-7	23   23   36   41
bqp100-8	101 ; 101 ;	3540   3810   3129   2801	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.3-7	-4.5-7   -5.7-7   -5.7-7   1.8-7	43   44   37   33
bqp100-9	101 ; 101 ;	3301   2974   2701   15360	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.1-7   9.9-7	<b>1.7-6</b>   -3.3-7   -3.3-7   1.6-7	41   35   32   3:03
bqp100-10	101 ; 101 ;	2883   2806   2501   50000	9.8-7   9.8-7   8.5-7   <b>1.4-6</b>	<b>-1.8-6</b>   <b>1.2-6</b>   <b>1.2-6</b>   -1.1-7	34   34   29   9:53
bqp250-1	251 ; 251 ;	3832   4639   3636   5201	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.7-7	1.1-7   -6.5-7   -6.5-7   -2.9-7	3:02   3:40   2:52   4:10
bqp250-2	251 ; 251 ;	4001   3341   3401   3801	9.7-7   9.9-7   9.0-7   8.9-7	-7.2-7   -2.1-7   -2.1-7   <b>1.4-6</b>	3:15   2:39   2:41   3:00
bqp250-3	251 ; 251 ;	3489   5001   6213   6601	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	<b>1.1-6</b>   -4.4-7   -4.4-7   -2.1-7	2:43   4:00   4:57   5:16
bqp250-4	251 ; 251 ;	3545   3401   2739   4153	9.9-7   9.7-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	5.7-8   -4.7-7   -4.7-7   -4.1-7	2:52   2:47   2:12   3:19
bqp250-5	251 ; 251 ;	3870   6501   7301   5417	9.9-7   9.7-7   9.8-7   9.9-7	3.5-7   1.0-7   1.0-7   6.3-7	3:01   5:13   5:49   4:16
bqp250-6	251 ; 251 ;	3175   3101   3301   9984	9.9-7   8.6-7   8.1-7   9.9-7	-4.2-7   -1.7-7   -1.7-7   -4.1-7	2:38   2:27   2:40   8:00
bqp250-7	251 ; 251 ;	3301   3901   3101   3521	9.6-7   9.6-7   8.6-7   9.9-7	-5.9-7   -7.8-7   -7.8-7   <b>1.2-6</b>	2:40   3:08   2:27   2:44
bqp250-8	251 ; 251 ;	2848   3101   3001   3460	9.9-7   9.3-7   9.8-7   9.9-7	3.5-7   2.5-8   2.5-8   -6.8-8	2:19   2:31   2:20   2:37
bqp250-9	251 ; 251 ;	3201   3901   6901   7501	9.2-7   9.6-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	2.4-7   -1.7-7   -1.7-7   4.1-7	2:17   2:45   4:49   5:10
bqp250-10	251 ; 251 ;	3101   3301   4801   16401	8.8-7   9.1-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-3.6-7   -4.4-7   -4.4-7   -7.2-7	2:10   2:20   3:21   11:16
bqp500-1	501 ; 501 ;	14037   14201   20601   50000	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   <b>8.2-3</b>	6.8-7   6.7-7   6.7-7   <b>9.9-1</b>	37:20   38:13   57:32   3:34:50
bqp500-2	501 ; 501 ;	11371   15301   10501   11101	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	<b>-1.0-6</b>   4.7-7   4.7-7   <b>-1.1-6</b>	30:51   41:21   28:32   30:08
bqp500-3	501 ; 501 ;	7184   11701   10301   11101	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	<b>-1.5-6</b>   <b>1.0-6</b>   <b>1.0-6</b>   9.8-7	20:23   30:28   27:56   30:04
bqp500-4	501 ; 501 ;	9852   10401   11918   13101	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	7.6-7   6.8-7   6.8-7   6.1-7	26:37   28:08   32:18   35:30
bqp500-5	501 ; 501 ;	10701   11738   11701   15801	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	8.6-7   6.1-7   6.1-7   8.5-7	29:18   31:47   30:03   40:39

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problem   $m$   $n_s; n_l$	iteration		$\eta$		$\eta_{gap}$		time	
	a b c d		a b c d		a b c d		a b c d	
bqp500-6   501 ; 501 ;	8854	9680   7949   10201	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	8.6-7	6.1-7   6.1-7   3.9-7	22:49	26:19   20:52   24:40
bqp500-7   501 ; 501 ;	10601	13363   13101   12701	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	8.0-7	8.3-7   8.3-7   8.7-7	27:48	36:01   35:18   34:03
bqp500-8   501 ; 501 ;	8904	11653   12901   15601	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-1.8-7	-5.6-7   -5.6-7   -5.1-7	20:52	27:17   30:14   43:55
bqp500-9   501 ; 501 ;	19505	18601   18201   18401	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-7.0-7	-5.5-7   -5.5-7   -6.0-7	1:02:47	59:56   58:38   58:18
bqp500-10   501 ; 501 ;	9174	13401   10506   15293	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-6.4-7	-3.7-7   -3.7-7   -6.5-7	29:23	43:02   33:40   49:08
gka8a   101 ; 101 ;	3713	3596   26801   50000	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   8.0-6	-3.8-6	3.6-6   3.6-6   -1.5-6	39	36   4:57   9:47
gka10b   126 ; 126 ;	1037	1997   1941   1943	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-5.8-6	-2.1-5   -2.1-5   -2.2-7	16	35   34   35
gka1d   101 ; 101 ;	2869	4701   11501   50000	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   1.9-6	-8.0-7	4.3-7   4.3-7   3.1-7	34	56   2:21   10:16
gka2d   101 ; 101 ;	1912	1905   2007   2701	9.8-7	9.8-7   9.9-7   9.4-7	7.3-8	6.5-7   6.5-7   2.2-7	23	23   23   33
gka3d   101 ; 101 ;	3003	2791   2739   3101	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.5-7	-7.8-7	-1.9-7   -1.9-7   -4.5-7	37	35   33   37
gka4d   101 ; 101 ;	2502	1820   1718   2335	9.5-7	9.8-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-9.7-9	4.1-7   4.1-7   -2.8-8	30	23   21   27
gka5d   101 ; 101 ;	2327	2323   1701   1774	8.5-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	2.7-6	1.3-6   1.3-6   4.1-7	29	29   21   21
gka6d   101 ; 101 ;	1868	1925   1701   2601	9.7-7	9.7-7   9.7-7   9.3-7	4.0-7	7.4-7   7.4-7   2.0-8	25	25   21   31
gka7d   101 ; 101 ;	2020	2158   1332   1423	9.4-7	9.6-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	3.4-6	-3.2-6   -3.2-6   -5.0-7	26	28   17   17
gka8d   101 ; 101 ;	1854	1451   1378   1466	9.9-7	9.6-7   9.9-7   9.7-7	2.2-6	2.6-7   2.6-7   9.3-7	24	19   18   18
gka9d   101 ; 101 ;	2446	2341   1750   1799	9.0-7	9.4-7   9.9-7   9.7-7	1.9-6	-1.4-6   -1.4-6   -1.5-6	31	29   22   22
gka10d   101 ; 101 ;	2616	1900   1902   1612	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.2-7   9.8-7	-1.4-7	9.0-7   9.0-7   6.7-7	33	24   23   20
gka1e   201 ; 201 ;	38801	50000   50000   50000	9.9-7	1.3-6   1.5-6   1.6-6	9.1-7	-3.3-7   -3.3-7   -2.4-7	17:00	21:18   22:51   22:40
gka2e   201 ; 201 ;	3203	2801   4001   4301	9.8-7	8.7-7   9.8-7   9.8-7	-6.5-7	-6.3-7   -6.3-7   5.6-7	1:35	1:25   1:59   2:03
gka3e   201 ; 201 ;	4112	4079   3902   3901	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.4-7	-1.2-7	4.8-7   4.8-7   1.7-7	1:39	1:26   1:55   1:58
gka4e   201 ; 201 ;	3798	3807   5466   4801	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	-1.6-7	2.0-7   2.0-7   -2.8-7	1:34	2:01   2:51   2:26

Table 4.1: Example 4.1. Performance of Algorithm 1 on QSDP-BIQ-Q problems.  $a : d = (d_0 - 0.2|d_0|)$ ,  $b : d = d_0$ ,  $c : d = (d_0 + 0.1|d_0|)$  and  $d : d = (d_0 + 0.2|d_0|)$ . Maximum number of iterations: 50,000.

problem   $m$   $n_s; n_l$	iteration a b c d	$\eta$ a b c d	$\eta_{gap}$ a b c d	time a b c d
gka5e   201 ; 201 ;	5220   2822   1916   4026	9.9-7   9.9-7   7.7-7   9.9-7	-2.0-7   3.1-7   3.1-7   5.0-7	2:12   1:26   1:04   2:02
gka2f   501 ; 501 ;	24101   26401   23447   23463	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-2.0-7   1.2-7   1.2-7   5.9-7	59:55   1:06:04   58:31   58:31
gka3f   501 ; 501 ;	3844   5256   11601   12344	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	6.1-7   8.2-7   8.2-7   -4.6-7	11:27   13:43   27:39   29:42
gka4f   501 ; 501 ;	7001   6801   3701   6671	9.9-7   9.9-7   8.6-7   9.9-7	-1.2-6   -1.1-6   -1.1-6   -1.1-6	19:53   19:21   10:45   19:01
gka5f   501 ; 501 ;	5301   4801   4858   4701	9.1-7   9.4-7   9.9-7   9.3-7	1.2-6   -2.5-8   -2.5-8   3.4-7	14:58   13:23   13:25   12:33

Table 4.2: Example 4.2. Performance of Algorithm 1 QSDP-BIQ-Q problems.  
 $a : d = m_I$ ,  $b : d = m_I/4$ ,  $c : d = m_I/9$ ,  $d : d = m_I/16$ . Maximum number of iterations: 25,000.

problem	$ m  \mid n_s; n_l$	iteration a b c d	$\eta$ a b c d	$\eta_{gap}$ a b c d	time a b c d
be100.1	101 ; 101 ;	2242   2247   1812   1184	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	-2.6-7   -1.7-7   -1.7-7   <b>4.1-6</b>	08   08   07   06
be100.2	101 ; 101 ;	1349   1356   1655   2101	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.5-7	-3.2-7   4.1-7   4.1-7   1.1-7	05   05   06   09
be100.3	101 ; 101 ;	1537   1395   12719   1347	9.9-7   9.2-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-2.2-7   -9.6-7   -9.6-7   6.2-7	06   05   1-26   07
be100.4	101 ; 101 ;	1614   1772   1705   1598	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.6-7	1.2-7   4.5-7   4.5-7   4.9-7	06   06   06   08
be100.5	101 ; 101 ;	1203   1128   1141   1274	9.7-7   9.7-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	1.9-7   -3.9-7   -3.9-7   <b>4.5-6</b>	04   04   04   06
be100.6	101 ; 101 ;	1538   1386   1372   1372	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7   9.9-7	-2.9-7   -1.4-7   -1.4-7   <b>4.4-6</b>	05   05   05   07
be100.7	101 ; 101 ;	1187   1275   1261   1438	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7   9.9-7	-7.5-7   -4.5-7   -4.5-7   -1.0-7	04   04   04   07
be100.8	101 ; 101 ;	1437   1417   1429   1438	9.9-7   9.8-7   9.5-7   9.6-7	2.6-7   1.4-7   1.4-7   -2.7-7	05   05   05   07
be100.9	101 ; 101 ;	1133   1092   1042   1311	9.9-7   9.6-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-3.2-7   -1.4-7   -1.4-7   5.8-7	04   04   04   07
be100.10	101 ; 101 ;	1162   1206   1294   1396	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-9.1-7   -8.4-7   -8.4-7   <b>5.0-6</b>	04   04   05   07
be120.3.1	121 ; 121 ;	1863   1667   3102   1523	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.6-7	-8.3-7   -5.3-7   -5.3-7   -5.9-7	08   07   14   09
be120.3.2	121 ; 121 ;	1735   1821   2330   1357	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	-6.2-7   -6.2-7   -6.2-7   <b>-2.7-6</b>	07   08   11   08
be120.3.3	121 ; 121 ;	1423   1665   1657   3165	9.8-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	4.2-7   -7.2-7   -7.2-7   -8.1-7	06   07   08   25
be120.3.4	121 ; 121 ;	1987   1534   2255   1601	9.9-7   9.8-7   9.4-7   8.1-7	-8.8-7   <b>2.0-6</b>   <b>2.0-6</b>   6.6-7	08   07   10   09
be120.3.5	121 ; 121 ;	1415   1383   1451   1401	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.6-7	-5.0-7   <b>-1.1-6</b>   <b>-1.1-6</b>   -8.4-7	06   06   08   09
be120.3.6	121 ; 121 ;	2104   1756   1853   1405	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	-8.9-7   6.4-7   6.4-7   9.9-8	09   08   09   09
be120.3.7	121 ; 121 ;	1907   2058   1841   1361	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.6-7   9.9-7	<b>-1.5-6</b>   1.2-7   1.2-7   -8.0-7	08   09   09   08
be120.3.8	121 ; 121 ;	1939   1840   2066   1548	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.6-7   9.9-7	-1.1-7   -2.0-7   -2.0-7   <b>-1.7-6</b>	08   08   09   08
be120.3.9	121 ; 121 ;	1797   1785   1960   1479	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.7-7	2.5-7   -1.5-7   -1.5-7   <b>1.5-6</b>	08   08   09   09
be120.3.10	121 ; 121 ;	1672   1585   1764   1427	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-5.0-8   2.8-7   2.8-7   <b>-3.8-6</b>	07   07   08   08
be120.8.1	121 ; 121 ;	1478   1458   1449   1247	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.3-7   9.9-7	<b>-1.3-6</b>   <b>-1.1-6</b>   <b>-1.1-6</b>   <b>-4.7-6</b>	06   06   07   07

Table 4.2: Example 4.2. Performance of Algorithm 1 QSDP-BIQ-Q problems.  
 $a : d = m_I$ ,  $b : d = m_I/4$ ,  $c : d = m_I/9$ ,  $d : d = m_I/16$ . Maximum number of iterations: 25,000.

problem	$ m  \mid n_s; n_l$	iteration a b c d	$\eta$ a b c d	$\eta_{gap}$ a b c d	time a b c d
be120.8.2	121 ; 121 ;	1847   1576   1912   1563	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	3.3-7   2.6-8   2.6-8   <b>1.9-6</b>	08   07   08   09
be120.8.3	121 ; 121 ;	1702   1681   1858   1389	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	-2.8-7   -4.1-7   -4.1-7   <b>1.3-6</b>	07   07   09   08
be120.8.4	121 ; 121 ;	1924   1873   1882   1354	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-8.0-7   -8.4-7   -8.4-7   <b>-3.2-6</b>	08   08   11   08
be120.8.5	121 ; 121 ;	1369   1529   1838   1547	9.7-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-3.1-8   -3.2-7   -3.2-7   <b>2.2-6</b>	06   07   09   10
be120.8.6	121 ; 121 ;	1352   1373   1871   1246	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	-4.2-7   -6.1-7   -6.1-7   <b>-1.5-6</b>	06   06   08   08
be120.8.7	121 ; 121 ;	1872   1761   1585   1559	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-1.8-7   -1.3-7   -1.3-7   5.2-7	08   07   07   08
be120.8.8	121 ; 121 ;	1351   1461   1452   1369	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	2.2-7   -3.6-7   -3.6-7   -9.1-7	06   06   06   08
be120.8.9	121 ; 121 ;	1390   1519   1391   1433	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-9.4-8   -7.4-7   -7.4-7   <b>2.1-6</b>	06   07   07   09
be120.8.10	121 ; 121 ;	1435   1454   1390   1268	9.8-7   9.9-7   9.8-7   9.9-7	2.1-7   -8.6-7   -8.6-7   <b>-3.6-6</b>	06   06   07   07
be150.3.1	151 ; 151 ;	2209   1968   2123   2883	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   8.9-7	<b>-1.0-6</b>   -4.3-7   -4.3-7   <b>3.9-6</b>	13   12   14   30
be150.3.2	151 ; 151 ;	2289   2272   3165   1650	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	-4.1-7   3.7-7   3.7-7   -4.5-7	14   14   20   13
be150.3.3	151 ; 151 ;	1913   1819   1939   1550	9.9-7   9.3-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	-3.9-7   <b>-2.9-6</b>   <b>-2.9-6</b>   -1.1-7	11   11   13   13
be150.3.4	151 ; 151 ;	2391   2103   2688   5638	9.9-7   9.6-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-6.5-7   9.0-7   9.0-7   <b>-1.9-6</b>	15   13   17   1:03
be150.3.5	151 ; 151 ;	1801   1775   1903   1705	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.5-7	<b>-1.4-6</b>   -7.8-7   -7.8-7   <b>2.2-6</b>	11   11   13   14
be150.3.6	151 ; 151 ;	1616   1685   1649   4318	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-7.9-7   -3.7-7   -3.7-7   -6.2-7	09   10   10   49
be150.3.7	151 ; 151 ;	1859   1386   1397   3985	9.9-7   9.6-7   9.7-7   9.8-7	-5.3-7   8.8-8   8.8-8   <b>1.5-6</b>	11   09   09   45
be150.8.1	151 ; 151 ;	2551   2630   2764   9380	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-1.5-7   -1.1-7   -1.1-7   <b>-1.0-6</b>	15   16   18   1:56
be150.8.2	151 ; 151 ;	1734   1662   2341   6649	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.5-7	<b>-1.1-6</b>   5.0-7   5.0-7   -3.9-7	11   10   16   1:20
be150.8.3	151 ; 151 ;	2129   1801   2154   15108	9.9-7   9.6-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-7.1-7   <b>3.1-6</b>   <b>3.1-6</b>   -1.2-7	13   11   14   3:01
be150.8.4	151 ; 151 ;	1659   1556   1738   1636	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-4.8-7   5.3-8   5.3-8   <b>-1.8-6</b>	11   10   12   13
be150.8.5	151 ; 151 ;	2046   1863   1742   2081	9.9-7   9.6-7   9.9-7   9.4-7	-2.3-7   -3.0-7   -3.0-7   <b>1.6-6</b>	13   12   12   20

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problem	$ m  \mid n_s; n_l$	iteration		$\eta$		$\eta_{gap}$		time	
		a b c d		a b c d		a b c d		a b c d	
be150.8.6	151 ; 151 ;	1859	1412   1894   1642	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.6-7	-9.7-7	3.2-9   3.2-9   4.8-7	11	09   11   13
be150.8.7	151 ; 151 ;	3027	2895   2944   25000	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   <b>7.1-6</b>	-5.8-7	-2.4-7   -2.4-7   <b>8.6-6</b>	18	17   17   5:14
be150.8.8	151 ; 151 ;	1781	1819   1816   1743	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	<b>-2.9-6</b>	<b>1.2-6</b>   <b>1.2-6</b>   <b>-1.5-6</b>	11	11   11   13
be150.8.9	151 ; 151 ;	2111	2236   1758   25000	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   <b>5.3-5</b>	-4.4-7	-4.4-7   -4.4-7   <b>9.9-1</b>	13	14   12   5:34
be150.8.10	151 ; 151 ;	1893	1934   2494   1901	9.9-7	9.8-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-9.4-7	-5.2-7   -5.2-7   <b>3.1-6</b>	12	12   17   14
be200.3.1	201 ; 201 ;	2429	2188   2352   1968	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.7-7	-4.1-7	7.0-7   7.0-7   5.8-7	26	23   25   32
be200.3.2	201 ; 201 ;	2834	2595   2346   2110	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.1-7	-2.6-7	-5.7-7   -5.7-7   <b>-4.5-6</b>	30	27   27   29
be200.3.3	201 ; 201 ;	2767	2818   2663   2090	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	<b>-1.0-6</b>	-8.7-7   -8.7-7   -2.4-7	30	30   31   30
be200.3.4	201 ; 201 ;	2897	2722   2930   2040	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.3-7	-9.0-7	-9.6-7   -9.6-7   <b>-5.5-6</b>	31	29   34   30
be200.3.5	201 ; 201 ;	2858	3319   2827   2150	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	-6.2-7	-4.0-7   -4.0-7   -9.3-7	31	36   33   32
be200.3.6	201 ; 201 ;	2539	2687   2290   2353	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.4-7   9.9-7	<b>-1.1-6</b>	<b>-1.2-6</b>   <b>-1.2-6</b>   -7.2-7	27	28   26   31
be200.3.7	201 ; 201 ;	3022	3108   3132   25000	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   <b>1.1-5</b>	-2.4-7	-6.2-8   -6.2-8   <b>9.9-1</b>	32	34   37   9:51
be200.3.8	201 ; 201 ;	2926	2650   2807   2345	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.7-7	-9.9-7	-3.1-7   -3.1-7   <b>5.2-6</b>	32	29   32   31
be200.3.9	201 ; 201 ;	2576	2637   3477   2136	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	<b>-1.3-6</b>	<b>-1.4-6</b>   <b>-1.4-6</b>   <b>5.9-6</b>	29	29   40   30
be200.3.10	201 ; 201 ;	2270	2103   2639   1923	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   8.2-7	-7.0-7	3.6-7   3.6-7   <b>2.9-6</b>	24	22   31   26
be200.8.1	201 ; 201 ;	3032	3051   3267   2417	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-7.0-7	-9.8-7   -9.8-7   -2.0-7	33	33   37   34
be200.8.2	201 ; 201 ;	2606	2514   2589   2162	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	-7.9-7	-6.4-7   -6.4-7   <b>-3.7-6</b>	28	28   29   29
be200.8.3	201 ; 201 ;	2919	2858   3186   25000	9.8-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   <b>5.6-3</b>	-4.7-7	-3.7-7   -3.7-7   <b>9.9-1</b>	31	31   35   9:45
be200.8.4	201 ; 201 ;	2482	2747   2828   2008	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.7-7	-5.7-7	-4.1-7   -4.1-7   <b>-2.1-6</b>	27	30   33   30
be200.8.5	201 ; 201 ;	2578	2692   2784   1896	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	<b>-1.1-6</b>	-9.3-7   -9.3-7   1.9-7	28	29   32   28
be200.8.6	201 ; 201 ;	2928	3170   2960   25000	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   <b>7.8-5</b>	-2.3-7	-2.4-7   -2.4-7   <b>9.9-1</b>	32	35   34   9:49

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 $a : d = m_I$ ,  $b : d = m_I/4$ ,  $c : d = m_I/9$ ,  $d : d = m_I/16$ . Maximum number of iterations: 25,000.

problem	$ m  \mid n_s; n_l$	iteration a b c d	$\eta$ a b c d	$\eta_{gap}$ a b c d	time a b c d
be200.8.7	201 ; 201 ;	2851   3074   3632   2265	9.7-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-5.4-7   -7.1-7   -7.1-7   <b>-1.2-6</b>	31   32   40   31
be200.8.8	201 ; 201 ;	2703   2598   3364   2302	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	-2.6-8   -3.0-8   -3.0-8   <b>-3.4-6</b>	28   28   38   32
be200.8.9	201 ; 201 ;	2656   2625   2801   2033	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.7-7	-5.4-7   -6.7-7   -6.7-7   7.9-7	29   28   32   29
be200.8.10	201 ; 201 ;	2740   2957   3317   2170	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   8.7-7	-6.9-7   -7.4-7   -7.4-7   <b>-2.5-6</b>	29   31   37   30
be250.1	251 ; 251 ;	4137   4186   3843   2902	9.7-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-4.5-7   -7.3-7   -7.3-7   -8.5-7	1:07   1:08   1:06   1:04
be250.2	251 ; 251 ;	3606   3783   4339   2964	9.6-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	-4.7-7   <b>-1.0-6</b>   -1.0-6   <b>-4.3-6</b>	58   1:01   1:13   1:05
be250.3	251 ; 251 ;	3563   3594   3465   2896	9.2-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.5-7	-9.3-7   -5.7-7   -5.7-7   <b>1.9-6</b>	1:00   1:00   1:00   1:02
be250.4	251 ; 251 ;	4072   4318   4873   15555	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.7-7	<b>-2.1-6</b>   -8.0-7   -8.0-7   <b>3.2-6</b>	1:06   1:11   1:22   7:41
be250.5	251 ; 251 ;	3210   3303   3301   25000	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   <b>3.6-3</b>	-8.6-7   <b>-1.3-6</b>   <b>-1.3-6</b>   <b>9.9-1</b>	53   54   57   15:17
be250.6	251 ; 251 ;	3257   3391   4331   2947	9.9-7   9.6-7   9.7-7   9.9-7	-3.8-7   -3.1-7   -3.1-7   <b>-2.3-6</b>	53   56   1:14   1:02
be250.7	251 ; 251 ;	3700   3773   4148   3101	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	-6.5-7   -6.0-7   -6.0-7   <b>-6.2-6</b>	1:01   1:02   1:11   1:06
be250.8	251 ; 251 ;	3816   3605   3613   3768	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-4.4-7   -1.2-7   -1.2-7   <b>2.9-6</b>	1:04   59   1:00   1:18
be250.9	251 ; 251 ;	3687   4478   3453   2901	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   6.2-7	-4.2-7   -6.5-7   -6.5-7   <b>3.5-6</b>	1:02   1:17   1:04   1:04
be250.10	251 ; 251 ;	3310   3672   3554   4226	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	<b>-1.1-6</b>   -2.0-7   -2.0-7   <b>3.9-6</b>	54   1:00   1:00   1:32
bqp250-1	251 ; 251 ;	3933   4076   4180   3098	9.7-7   9.6-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	<b>-1.2-6</b>   <b>-1.2-6</b>   <b>-1.2-6</b>   <b>-3.8-6</b>	1:04   1:06   1:20   1:05
bqp250-3	251 ; 251 ;	4110   4135   3518   4201	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	<b>-3.9-6</b>   -8.1-7   -8.1-7   <b>-5.9-6</b>	1:05   1:05   57   1:15
bqp250-4	251 ; 251 ;	3159   3185   3352   2848	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-5.5-7   <b>-1.1-6</b>   <b>-1.1-6</b>   <b>4.4-6</b>	51   52   58   1:00
bqp250-5	251 ; 251 ;	4429   4406   4403   3552	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.3-7	<b>-2.0-6</b>   <b>-2.0-6</b>   <b>-2.0-6</b>   <b>-3.9-6</b>	1:11   1:12   1:14   1:15
bqp250-6	251 ; 251 ;	2874   2975   3602   2700	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	<b>-1.2-6</b>   <b>-1.3-6</b>   <b>-1.3-6</b>   <b>4.5-6</b>	48   50   1:02   55
bqp250-7	251 ; 251 ;	3992   4165   3889   3545	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	<b>-2.2-6</b>   -4.5-7   -4.5-7   <b>-1.5-6</b>	1:04   1:08   1:03   1:09
bqp250-8	251 ; 251 ;	2882   2877   2791   2554	9.9-7   9.7-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-2.0-7   -5.0-7   -5.0-7   <b>6.2-6</b>	47   47   47   54



Table 4.2: Example 4.2. Performance of Algorithm 1 QSDP-BIQ-Q problems.  
 $a : d = m_I$ ,  $b : d = m_I/4$ ,  $c : d = m_I/9$ ,  $d : d = m_I/16$ . Maximum number of iterations: 25,000.

problem   $m$   $n_s; n_l$	iteration		$\eta$		$\eta_{gap}$		time	
	a b c d		a b c d		a b c d		a b c d	
bqp250-9   251 ; 251 ;	4120	4224   4037   3764	9.4-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-5.3-7   -1.2-9   -1.2-9   <b>-5.3-6</b>	1:07	1:08	1:06   1:12
bqp250-10   251 ; 251 ;	2887	3042   2393   3060	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   8.2-7	1.7-7   -8.8-7   -8.8-7   <b>-5.6-6</b>	46	50	40   1:02
gka8a   101 ; 101 ;	3458	3180   2701   1384	9.9-7	9.9-7   7.5-7   9.9-7	8.8-9   6.4-7   6.4-7   -3.0-7	11	10	11   07
gka9b   101 ; 101 ;	951	1301   579   3776	9.9-7	8.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	<b>-1.4-5</b>   -3.1-12   -3.1-12   6.7-7	03	06	04   20
gka10b   126 ; 126 ;	2917	1301   783   554	9.9-7	9.4-7   9.9-7   9.6-7	<b>-1.6-5</b>   -1.3-15   -1.3-15   2.2-7	13	08	06   05
gka7c   101 ; 101 ;	1863	1945   2501   1499	9.9-7	9.9-7   8.6-7   9.7-7	<b>2.9-6</b>   <b>-2.1-6</b>   <b>-2.1-6</b>   2.5-7	06	07	10   08
gka4d   101 ; 101 ;	2266	2120   1367   1380	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	2.3-7   3.7-8   3.7-8   9.5-7	08	08	06   07
gka5d   101 ; 101 ;	1286	1336   1342   1398	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	2.8-7   1.6-7   1.6-7   5.7-7	05	05	05   07
gka6d   101 ; 101 ;	1609	1317   1680   2901	9.9-7	9.3-7   9.9-7   8.8-7	-4.3-7   -7.6-7   -7.6-7   4.7-8	06	05	06   12
gka7d   101 ; 101 ;	1205	1234   1598   1371	9.4-7	9.9-7   9.8-7   9.6-7	-6.5-7   <b>-1.9-6</b>   <b>-1.9-6</b>   -2.0-7	04	04	06   07
gka8d   101 ; 101 ;	2036	2006   1319   1366	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.7-7   9.3-7	4.6-7   5.3-7   5.3-7   <b>4.3-6</b>	07	07	05   07
gka9d   101 ; 101 ;	1700	1655   1364   1303	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.8-7   9.9-7	-4.9-7   -3.5-7   -3.5-7   7.3-7	06	06	05   07
gka10d   101 ; 101 ;	1617	1452   1603   1469	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-2.3-7   6.3-7   6.3-7   <b>-2.0-6</b>	06	05	06   07
gka1e   201 ; 201 ;	3314	3397   3282   2172	9.9-7	9.8-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-6.6-7   -5.6-7   -5.6-7   <b>5.3-6</b>	34	35	36   29
gka2e   201 ; 201 ;	2711	2671   3067   2667	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.2-7	<b>-1.4-6</b>   <b>-1.4-6</b>   <b>-1.4-6</b>   <b>1.3-6</b>	27	27	33   36
gka3e   201 ; 201 ;	2812	2912   3080   25000	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   <b>6.9-5</b>	-4.8-7   -7.1-7   -7.1-7   <b>9.9-1</b>	29	30	34   9:22
gka4e   201 ; 201 ;	2698	3027   3694   25000	8.8-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   <b>4.1-4</b>	-1.1-7   <b>-1.6-6</b>   <b>-1.6-6</b>   <b>9.9-1</b>	28	31	40   9:15
gka5e   201 ; 201 ;	2989	2876   2881   2351	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-4.3-7   -3.2-7   -3.2-7   <b>-5.2-6</b>	31	30	30   30

Table 4.3: Example 4.3. Performance of Algorithm 1 QSDP-BIQ-Q problems.  
 $a : d = ((n-1)/2)^2$ ,  $b : d = ((n-1)/3)^2$ ,  $c : d = ((n-1)/4)^2$ ,  $d : ((n-1)/5)^2$ . Maximum number of iterations: 25,000.

problem   $m$   $n_s; n_l$	iteration a b c d	$\eta$ a b c d	$\eta_{gap}$ a b c d	time a b c d
be100.1   101 ; 101 ;	4016   877   583   481	9.4-7   9.9-7   7.0-7   9.9-7	-1.8-8   3.5-7   3.5-7   -1.8-7	12   03   02   02
be100.2   101 ; 101 ;	2026   1101   636   457	9.9-7   9.7-7   9.8-7   9.8-7	9.0-9   1.1-7   1.1-7   4.6-9	06   03   02   02
be100.3   101 ; 101 ;	2429   1332   612   497	9.9-7   9.9-7   8.9-7   9.9-7	-9.9-8   -5.0-8   -5.0-8   -1.4-7	07   04   02   02
be100.4   101 ; 101 ;	1780   1641   588   484	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	4.6-7   -3.9-8   -3.9-8   3.2-7	05   05   02   02
be100.5   101 ; 101 ;	1708   1305   539   503	9.9-7   7.1-7   7.5-7   9.5-7	-5.2-7   -7.8-8   -7.8-8   -2.8-7	05   04   02   02
be100.6   101 ; 101 ;	1983   1011   922   618	4.9-7   9.9-7   9.3-7   9.8-7	2.6-7   -1.1-7   -1.1-7   <b>-1.2-6</b>	06   03   03   02
be100.7   101 ; 101 ;	1264   752   545   475	4.2-7   9.9-7   9.6-7   9.8-7	-2.1-7   4.3-7   4.3-7   3.2-7	04   02   02   02
be100.8   101 ; 101 ;	1901   804   527   477	9.1-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	4.8-7   2.4-7   2.4-7   3.0-7	05   02   02   02
be100.9   101 ; 101 ;	1548   1163   710   503	9.6-7   9.2-7   7.5-7   9.7-7	-4.1-8   4.3-7   4.3-7   7.9-8	05   03   02   02
be100.10   101 ; 101 ;	1339   1229   806   537	1.7-7   9.1-7   9.8-7   9.8-7	1.5-8   3.4-8   3.4-8   -1.6-8	04   04   03   02
be120.3.1   121 ; 121 ;	2567   1093   738   928	9.2-7   9.9-7   9.8-7   9.8-7	4.7-7   3.7-7   3.7-7   -2.2-8	09   04   03   04
be120.3.2   121 ; 121 ;	2294   1072   718   605	9.5-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	4.8-7   3.7-7   3.7-7   1.6-7	08   04   03   02
be120.3.3   121 ; 121 ;	1905   1197   734   536	4.2-7   9.9-7   9.5-7   9.3-7	-2.1-7   3.8-7   3.8-7   -2.4-7	07   04   03   02
be120.3.4   121 ; 121 ;	1827   1013   654   545	9.3-7   9.9-7   9.8-7   9.9-7	4.2-7   3.3-7   3.3-7   2.3-7	06   04   03   02
be120.3.5   121 ; 121 ;	1887   1338   1505   632	9.8-7   9.1-7   9.9-7   8.0-7	-5.1-7   3.4-7   3.4-7   -1.9-7	07   05   06   03
be120.3.6   121 ; 121 ;	2846   1090   767   519	9.5-7   8.4-7   9.8-7   6.0-7	5.1-7   2.6-7   2.6-7   -2.4-7	11   04   03   02
be120.3.7   121 ; 121 ;	2869   1484   700   566	9.6-7   9.9-7   6.9-7   6.4-7	3.1-8   <b>1.3-6</b>   <b>1.3-6</b>   1.8-7	10   05   03   02
be120.3.8   121 ; 121 ;	1917   950   626   539	9.5-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	4.2-7   3.2-7   3.2-7   2.9-7	07   03   02   02
be120.3.9   121 ; 121 ;	2751   1258   724   588	2.3-7   9.7-7   8.6-7   7.2-7	-9.8-8   4.3-7   4.3-7   1.9-7	10   04   03   02
be120.3.10   121 ; 121 ;	2539   1684   927   527	9.7-7   9.9-7   9.7-7   9.9-7	-5.9-8   -3.4-8   -3.4-8   1.8-7	09   06   04   02
be120.8.1   121 ; 121 ;	2229   1105   726   659	6.9-7   9.8-7   8.4-7   9.8-7	-3.6-7   3.8-7   3.8-7   6.0-8	08   04   03   03

Table 4.3: Example 4.3. Performance of Algorithm 1 QSDP-BIQ-Q problems.  
 $a : d = ((n-1)/2)^2$ ,  $b : d = ((n-1)/4)^2$ ,  $c : d = ((n-1)/5)^2$ . Maximum number of iterations: 25,000.

problem   $m$   $n_s; n_t$	iteration		$\eta$		$\eta_{gap}$		time	
	a b c d		a b c d		a b c d		a b c d	
be120.8.2   121 ; 121 ;	2432	1031   676   540	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.2-7	8.0-8   3.8-7   3.8-7   3.0-7	09   04   03   02		
be120.8.3   121 ; 121 ;	2372	1110   689   528	8.1-7	9.3-7   9.8-7   8.0-7	3.4-7   1.2-7   1.2-7   2.5-7	08   04   03   02		
be120.8.4   121 ; 121 ;	2303	1233   719   603	9.6-7	9.2-7   9.5-7   9.3-7	-2.1-7   3.4-7   3.4-7   2.8-7	08   04   03   02		
be120.8.5   121 ; 121 ;	1881	1086   705   556	8.3-7	9.8-7   9.6-7   7.5-7	-1.3-7   3.7-7   3.7-7   2.3-7	07   04   03   02		
be120.8.6   121 ; 121 ;	2452	1855   720   579	9.8-7	9.8-7   9.9-7   6.8-7	-3.0-8   -7.4-8   -7.4-8   -2.0-7	09   06   03   02		
be120.8.7   121 ; 121 ;	2107	999   677   536	9.9-7	7.9-7   9.9-7   9.7-7	4.8-7   2.8-7   2.8-7   2.4-7	07   04   03   02		
be120.8.8   121 ; 121 ;	1498	1126   750   591	5.0-7	9.9-7   9.3-7   6.9-7	2.6-7   2.9-7   2.9-7   2.1-7	05   04   03   02		
be120.8.9   121 ; 121 ;	1761	1217   724   589	9.8-7	9.6-7   9.6-7   5.8-7	-5.1-7   4.3-7   4.3-7   -4.3-7	06   04   03   02		
be120.8.10   121 ; 121 ;	2131	1132   655   549	9.8-7	8.8-7   9.8-7   9.6-7	-5.1-7   3.3-7   3.3-7   4.5-7	08   04   03   02		
be150.3.1   151 ; 151 ;	3062	1411   1171   686	9.9-7	9.4-7   9.8-7   9.8-7	5.4-7   3.4-7   3.4-7   -1.1-7	15   07   06   04		
be150.3.2   151 ; 151 ;	4348	1333   809   645	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	1.6-8   2.9-7   2.9-7   3.2-7	20   07   04   03		
be150.3.3   151 ; 151 ;	2753	1727   874   657	9.2-7	9.2-7   9.9-7   8.8-7	4.6-7   3.2-7   3.2-7   2.9-7	12   08   04   04		
be150.3.4   151 ; 151 ;	3461	1437   853   669	9.7-7	9.9-7   4.1-7   9.8-7	4.6-7   3.1-7   3.1-7   <b>1.1-6</b>	17   07   04   04		
be150.3.5   151 ; 151 ;	2866	1422   843   670	9.6-7	9.1-7   9.7-7   9.9-7	4.9-7   3.6-7   3.6-7   3.4-7	14   07   04   04		
be150.3.6   151 ; 151 ;	2243	2750   958   738	7.5-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   8.2-7	-3.5-7   -3.9-9   -3.9-9   2.6-7	10   13   05   04		
be150.3.7   151 ; 151 ;	2189	1295   886   689	8.8-7	7.7-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-4.6-7   2.9-7   2.9-7   2.0-7	10   06   04   04		
be150.3.8   151 ; 151 ;	2816	1313   784   714	9.4-7	9.9-7   6.3-7   8.0-7	4.4-7   3.6-7   3.6-7   2.4-7	13   06   04   04		
be150.3.9   151 ; 151 ;	1894	1575   1045   909	8.5-7	9.7-7   9.9-7   8.9-7	-4.5-7   4.5-7   4.5-7   2.3-7	09   08   05   05		
be150.3.10   151 ; 151 ;	3593	1390   898   685	9.6-7	9.9-7   9.0-7   6.1-7	3.3-8   3.6-7   3.6-7   1.7-7	16   07   04   04		
be150.8.1   151 ; 151 ;	4323	1355   813   632	9.3-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	4.9-8   3.9-7   3.9-7   1.5-7	20   06   04   03		
be150.8.2   151 ; 151 ;	1896	1280   917   672	8.2-7	9.8-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	-4.2-7   3.8-7   3.8-7   4.4-7	09   06   04   03		

Table 4.3: Example 4.3. Performance of Algorithm 1 QSDP-BIQ-Q problems.  
 $a : d = ((n-1)/2)^2$ ,  $b : d = ((n-1)/3)^2$ ,  $c : d = ((n-1)/4)^2$ ,  $d : ((n-1)/5)^2$ . Maximum number of iterations: 25,000.

problem   $m$   $n_s; n_t$	iteration a b c d	$\eta$ a b c d	$\eta_{gap}$ a b c d	time a b c d
be150.8.3   151 ; 151 ;	3440   1390   946   676	9.1-7   8.4-7   9.9-7   7.9-7	4.6-7   3.1-7   3.1-7   2.4-7	17   07   05   04
be150.8.4   151 ; 151 ;	2044   1429   972   706	7.6-7   8.3-7   9.9-7   8.4-7	-4.0-7   3.3-7   3.3-7   2.7-7	10   07   05   04
be150.8.5   151 ; 151 ;	2572   1378   932   728	3.2-7   9.9-7   9.8-7   9.9-7	-8.5-8   3.5-7   3.5-7   1.7-7	12   07   05   04
be150.8.6   151 ; 151 ;	2990   1383   909   627	9.3-7   9.7-7   6.9-7   5.5-7	4.6-7   3.7-7   3.7-7   1.7-7	14   06   04   03
be150.8.7   151 ; 151 ;	3770   1322   918   666	7.7-7   8.6-7   9.2-7   9.3-7	1.1-7   3.0-7   3.0-7   2.7-7	17   07   05   04
be150.8.8   151 ; 151 ;	2879   1386   761   621	7.5-7   9.6-7   9.5-7   7.5-7	3.6-7   3.5-7   3.5-7   2.3-7	14   07   04   03
be150.8.9   151 ; 151 ;	3175   1480   924   758	9.9-7   8.2-7   9.9-7   9.5-7	4.4-9   3.4-7   3.4-7   1.8-7	15   07   05   04
be150.8.10   151 ; 151 ;	3077   1180   816   674	7.6-7   9.6-7   7.5-7   6.4-7	2.3-7   3.2-7   3.2-7   1.9-7	15   06   04   03
be200.3.1   201 ; 201 ;	4135   1909   1230   837	8.8-7   8.2-7   9.6-7   9.9-7	-2.7-8   2.8-7   2.8-7   1.5-7	31   15   10   07
be200.3.2   201 ; 201 ;	3713   2116   1342   922	3.7-7   9.1-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-1.8-7   3.6-7   3.6-7   2.7-7	29   17   11   08
be200.3.3   201 ; 201 ;	6219   1881   1276   822	7.5-7   9.9-7   9.8-7   6.6-7	-1.1-7   3.7-7   3.7-7   2.0-7	51   15   11   07
be200.3.4   201 ; 201 ;	3141   1974   1139   910	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   6.7-7	-3.3-7   3.7-7   3.7-7   2.1-7	24   16   10   08
be200.3.5   201 ; 201 ;	6088   1933   1255   864	7.8-7   6.0-7   9.6-7   9.6-7	3.8-7   2.2-7   2.2-7   3.1-7	51   16   11   07
be200.3.6   201 ; 201 ;	4764   2219   1184   843	8.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7   9.7-7	-4.5-7   4.0-7   4.0-7   3.1-7	38   18   10   07
be200.3.7   201 ; 201 ;	5970   1779   1124   853	9.4-7   9.8-7   5.7-7   9.1-7	4.8-7   3.5-7   3.5-7   2.7-7	47   14   09   07
be200.3.8   201 ; 201 ;	3691   2014   1229   969	4.8-7   9.3-7   9.5-7   9.9-7	-2.2-7   3.4-7   3.4-7   3.0-7	28   16   10   08
be200.3.9   201 ; 201 ;	5384   3110   1186   892	9.8-7   9.7-7   9.0-7   8.7-7	-5.0-7   -2.3-8   -2.3-8   2.9-7	43   25   10   08
be200.3.10   201 ; 201 ;	3241   2087   1393   911	8.7-7   8.3-7   9.1-7   9.9-7	-4.5-7   3.4-7   3.4-7   2.8-7	26   17   11   08
be200.8.1   201 ; 201 ;	4968   1890   1195   840	9.7-7   9.9-7   6.1-7   9.9-7	3.1-7   3.4-7   3.4-7   1.4-7	40   15   10   07
be200.8.2   201 ; 201 ;	4383   2280   1221   886	9.9-7   9.1-7   9.7-7   6.8-7	-5.1-7   3.6-7   3.6-7   2.2-7	34   18   10   07
be200.8.3   201 ; 201 ;	4232   2007   1295   900	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	3.3-7   3.8-7   3.8-7   3.3-7	33   16   11   08

Table 4.3: Example 4.3. Performance of Algorithm 1 QSDP-BIQ-Q problems.  
 $a : d = ((n-1)/2)^2$ ,  $b : d = ((n-1)/3)^2$ ,  $c : d = ((n-1)/4)^2$ ,  $d : ((n-1)/5)^2$ . Maximum number of iterations: 25,000.

problem   $m$   $n_s; n_t$	iteration		$\eta$		$\eta_{gap}$		time	
	a b c d		a b c d		a b c d		a b c d	
be200.8.4   201 ; 201 ;	3633	1930   1280   785	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   8.0-7	-5.1-7   3.9-7   3.9-7   2.5-7	30	16	10   07
be200.8.5   201 ; 201 ;	3792	2130   1118   860	8.5-7	8.5-7   8.4-7   7.7-7	-4.3-7   3.3-7   3.3-7   2.5-7	30	18	09   07
be200.8.6   201 ; 201 ;	5319	2233   1416   868	9.1-7	9.5-7   9.4-7   9.8-7	4.3-7   4.0-8   4.0-8   2.8-7	43	18	12   07
be200.8.7   201 ; 201 ;	5034	2030   1301   694	9.9-7	9.8-7   9.6-7   6.7-7	4.9-7   3.6-7   3.6-7   -3.6-7	39	16	10   06
be200.8.8   201 ; 201 ;	3766	2114   1168   815	6.6-7	9.3-7   9.9-7   8.0-7	2.3-7   3.5-7   3.5-7   2.5-7	29	17	09   07
be200.8.9   201 ; 201 ;	4402	2049   1270   976	8.7-7	8.2-7   8.8-7   9.9-7	4.4-7   3.1-7   3.1-7   3.3-7	35	17	11   08
be200.8.10   201 ; 201 ;	5062	2534   1307   861	9.9-7	9.6-7   8.7-7   9.8-7	-3.4-8   -6.0-8   -6.0-8   3.2-7	39	20	10   07
be250.1   251 ; 251 ;	8815	2246   1392   1140	7.7-7	6.8-7   9.8-7   5.8-7	-3.0-7   2.2-7   2.2-7   1.7-7	1:45	28	17   15
be250.2   251 ; 251 ;	5602	2475   1482   1187	6.1-7	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.1-7	2.9-7   3.6-7   3.6-7   2.8-7	1:07	30	18   15
be250.3   251 ; 251 ;	6602	2565   1500   1079	3.1-7	9.7-7   9.3-7   9.8-7	-3.4-8   3.6-7   3.6-7   3.3-7	1:18	32	18   14
be250.4   251 ; 251 ;	5688	2561   1232   1110	5.4-7	9.4-7   7.8-7   8.2-7	2.4-7   3.3-7   3.3-7   2.5-7	1:08	31	15   14
be250.5   251 ; 251 ;	6002	2746   1711   1198	4.9-7	9.7-7   9.9-7   9.6-7	2.4-7   3.8-7   3.8-7   3.1-7	1:09	34	21   15
be250.6   251 ; 251 ;	6944	3009   1469   1125	4.9-7	9.2-7   9.3-7   9.9-7	-7.2-8   3.4-7   3.4-7   -7.1-7	1:19	35	17   14
be250.7   251 ; 251 ;	8311	2523   1431   1051	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.0-7   9.9-7	4.9-7   3.6-7   3.6-7   3.1-7	1:40	31	18   14
be250.8   251 ; 251 ;	8178	2557   1378   1075	8.7-7	9.7-7   9.5-7   9.9-7	1.8-7   3.6-7   3.6-7   3.1-7	1:38	30	17   13
be250.9   251 ; 251 ;	8576	2628   1580   1155	9.4-7	9.3-7   9.9-7   9.6-7	3.6-8   3.6-7   3.6-7   3.1-7	1:41	32	20   15
be250.10   251 ; 251 ;	6184	2514   1391   1128	9.9-7	8.6-7   8.8-7   8.9-7	-4.9-7   3.1-7   3.1-7   2.8-7	1:11	30	17   14
bqp100-1   101 ; 101 ;	1806	837   574   421	9.8-7	6.1-7   7.3-7   6.4-7	2.2-7   2.5-7   2.5-7   5.1-8	05	02	02   01
bqp100-2   101 ; 101 ;	2420	670   613   492	9.9-7	9.9-7   8.1-7   9.8-7	4.8-7   3.4-7   3.4-7   3.1-7	07	02	02   02
bqp100-3   101 ; 101 ;	1518	797   532   434	9.5-7	6.6-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	3.7-7   2.2-7   2.2-7   2.2-7	04	02	02   01
bqp100-4   101 ; 101 ;	3347	714   584   434	9.9-7	7.9-7   9.3-7   2.9-7	-1.6-7   2.8-7   2.8-7   7.5-8	09	02	02   01

Table 4.3: Example 4.3. Performance of Algorithm 1 QSDP-BIQ-Q problems.  
 $a : d = ((n-1)/2)^2$ ,  $b : d = ((n-1)/3)^2$ ,  $c : d = ((n-1)/4)^2$ ,  $d : ((n-1)/5)^2$ . Maximum number of iterations: 25,000.

problem   $m$   $n_s; n_t$	iteration a b c d	$\eta$ a b c d	$\eta_{gap}$ a b c d	time a b c d
bqp100-5   101 ; 101 ;	3076   1358   609   426	6.3-7   7.3-7   9.1-7   7.5-7	1.4-10   5.2-8   5.2-8   2.1-7	08   04   02   01
bqp100-6   101 ; 101 ;	1463   862   545   496	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   8.5-7	-5.1-7   3.8-7   3.8-7   2.9-7	04   03   02   02
bqp100-7   101 ; 101 ;	2068   746   633   512	8.5-7   8.0-7   9.7-7   7.8-7	4.3-7   2.9-7   2.9-7   2.2-7	06   02   02   02
bqp100-8   101 ; 101 ;	2167   966   520   433	9.9-7   9.5-7   9.7-7   2.5-7	1.8-7   1.6-7   1.6-7   6.6-8	06   03   02   01
bqp100-9   101 ; 101 ;	3924   1010   616   530	9.7-7   9.9-7   9.8-7   9.9-7	7.8-9   1.4-8   1.4-8   2.4-7	11   03   02   02
bqp100-10   101 ; 101 ;	1382   973   547   473	9.8-7   9.3-7   8.7-7   7.4-7	3.7-7   1.4-7   1.4-7   -8.2-8	04   03   02   02
bqp250-1   251 ; 251 ;	10802   1870   1539   1246	3.5-7   9.8-7   9.3-7   7.7-7	-1.5-7   -5.9-7   -5.9-7   2.3-7	206   22   19   16
bqp250-2   251 ; 251 ;	10938   2728   1455   1214	5.5-7   9.3-7   8.8-7   7.2-7	2.5-7   3.3-7   3.3-7   2.2-7	206   32   17   15
bqp250-3   251 ; 251 ;	5589   2433   1444   997	9.6-7   2.2-7   9.2-7   8.4-7	4.4-7   -1.1-7   -1.1-7   2.5-7	1:03   28   17   12
bqp250-4   251 ; 251 ;	6611   2350   1713   1204	9.6-7   7.5-7   8.8-7   9.1-7	-5.3-7   -1.3-7   -1.3-7   2.2-7	1:20   27   21   15
bqp250-5   251 ; 251 ;	5535   2430   1450   1118	6.8-7   9.6-7   9.8-7   9.9-7	2.8-7   3.2-7   3.2-7   3.1-7	1:06   29   18   14
bqp250-6   251 ; 251 ;	7567   3002   1685   1194	9.3-7   8.5-7   9.7-7   9.8-7	-4.7-7   4.0-8   4.0-8   3.2-7	1:29   34   21   15
bqp250-7   251 ; 251 ;	9284   2543   1621   1019	6.0-7   9.0-7   6.5-7   9.9-7	2.9-8   3.2-7   3.2-7   2.5-7	1:46   31   20   12
bqp250-8   251 ; 251 ;	6202   2958   1718   1290	5.0-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.6-7	2.4-7   4.1-7   4.1-7   3.2-7	1:10   35   21   16
bqp250-9   251 ; 251 ;	8521   2458   1494   1354	6.9-7   8.3-7   9.0-7   9.8-7	1.5-7   2.7-7   2.7-7   2.9-7	1:36   29   18   16
bqp250-10   251 ; 251 ;	8135   2565   1573   1143	1.2-7   9.7-7   9.0-7   9.9-7	3.8-8   3.7-7   3.7-7   3.1-7	1:33   31   18   14
bqp500-1   501 ; 501 ;	17602   8193   8802   3214	3.4-7   9.8-7   6.3-7   1.8-7	1.3-7   -3.5-7   -3.5-7   -2.5-7	18:09   8:32   9:10   3:29
bqp500-2   501 ; 501 ;	22802   10602   3771   3002	3.6-7   7.0-7   9.1-7   6.4-7	1.8-7   -2.8-7   -2.8-7   2.0-7	24:10   11:02   4:03   3:16
bqp500-3   501 ; 501 ;	17426   13121   3962   3007	9.3-7   9.7-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	-4.4-7   -3.3-7   -3.3-7   3.0-7	17:58   13:20   4:18   3:14
bqp500-4   501 ; 501 ;	19778   13671   6314   3694	5.6-7   4.4-7   3.5-7   6.9-7	8.8-8   8.6-8   8.6-8   1.9-7	20:50   13:56   6:32   3:57
bqp500-5   501 ; 501 ;	24002   9896   3995   3764	8.2-7   8.5-7   6.3-7   9.9-7	3.9-7   3.1-7   3.1-7   3.1-7	24:59   10:26   4:12   4:00

Table 4.3: Example 4.3. Performance of Algorithm 1 QSDP-BIQ-Q problems.  
 $a : d = ((n-1)/2)^2$ ,  $b : d = ((n-1)/3)^2$ ,  $c : d = ((n-1)/4)^2$ ,  $d : ((n-1)/5)^2$ . Maximum number of iterations: 25,000.

	problem   $m$   $n_s; n_t$	iteration a b c d	$\eta$ a b c d	$\eta_{gap}$ a b c d	time a b c d
bqp500-6	501 ; 501 ;	22402   15078   3874   3385	1.4-7   6.4-7   9.7-7   8.9-7	-6.5-8   2.4-7   2.4-7   2.7-7	23:36   15:58   4:13   3:44
bqp500-7	501 ; 501 ;	16602   10999   5672   2681	5.3-7   9.7-7   8.0-7   9.2-7	-2.2-7   3.9-7   3.9-7   2.9-7	17:03   11:35   5:59   2:55
bqp500-8	501 ; 501 ;	25000   11884   5002   3219	4.4-5   9.0-7   7.8-7   9.8-7	2.6-6   3.3-7   3.3-7   3.2-7	25:58   12:18   5:08   3:26
bqp500-9	501 ; 501 ;	15202   11720   3419   2665	7.4-7   9.8-7   5.9-7   9.4-7	-1.6-7   1.8-7   1.8-7   -3.2-7	15:29   12:24   3:45   2:51
bqp500-10	501 ; 501 ;	19802   15443   4030   3392	3.4-7   3.7-7   8.5-7   9.7-7	4.4-8   -4.2-8   -4.2-8   3.1-7	20:16   15:59   4:16   3:38
gka8a	101 ; 101 ;	2114   2122   1157   985	9.1-7   9.8-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	4.0-7   -9.3-8   -9.3-8   -4.3-8	06   06   04   03
gka9b	101 ; 101 ;	972   830   953   952	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-1.4-5   -1.6-5   -1.6-5   -1.4-5	03   02   03   03
gka10b	126 ; 126 ;	2916   2917   2915   2915	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-1.6-5   -1.6-5   -1.6-5   -1.6-5	10   10   10   10
gka7c	101 ; 101 ;	1963   731   1063   548	4.5-7   7.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	2.0-7   2.6-7   2.6-7   -2.3-8	06   02   03   02
gka1d	101 ; 101 ;	2709   821   553   465	7.0-7   9.9-7   9.4-7   7.0-7	-5.3-9   2.5-7   2.5-7   1.9-7	08   02   02   02
gka2d	101 ; 101 ;	2985   928   687   536	8.0-7   9.6-7   9.6-7   9.9-7	-1.8-7   4.1-7   4.1-7   2.7-7	09   03   02   02
gka3d	101 ; 101 ;	3069   930   598   453	9.9-7   9.3-7   9.9-7   9.6-7	3.1-7   2.1-7   2.1-7   2.1-7	09   03   02   01
gka4d	101 ; 101 ;	3185   950   541   453	9.5-7   9.7-7   9.7-7   9.9-7	-1.3-9   3.7-7   3.7-7   3.5-7	09   03   02   01
gka5d	101 ; 101 ;	1937   851   1060   547	5.8-7   9.8-7   8.8-7   9.9-7	-3.0-7   3.8-7   3.8-7   2.1-7	06   03   03   02
gka6d	101 ; 101 ;	1865   792   718   510	9.0-7   7.5-7   9.5-7   9.9-7	4.6-7   2.7-7   2.7-7   2.9-7	05   02   02   02
gka7d	101 ; 101 ;	2131   860   640   512	9.9-7   7.3-7   9.6-7   9.5-7	5.2-7   2.6-7   2.6-7   2.3-6	06   03   02   02
gka8d	101 ; 101 ;	3567   802   619   481	9.9-7   8.1-7   9.5-7   9.9-7	2.8-9   2.9-7   2.9-7   2.8-7	10   02   02   02
gka9d	101 ; 101 ;	1633   1151   579   1211	5.0-7   7.6-7   9.7-7   9.8-7	-2.6-7   -4.2-8   -4.2-8   -4.5-8	05   03   02   04
gka10d	101 ; 101 ;	2279   695   618   466	9.5-7   8.4-7   9.8-7   8.9-7	4.3-8   3.0-7   3.0-7   2.5-7	06   02   02   02
gka1e	201 ; 201 ;	5601   1819   1481   862	7.5-7   9.3-7   9.1-7   9.9-7	-3.4-7   1.1-7   1.1-7   -1.1-6	43   14   13   08
gka2e	201 ; 201 ;	4915   2035   1149   1000	5.4-7   7.2-7   8.8-7   9.8-7	2.7-7   2.7-7   2.7-7   3.0-7	39   16   09   08

Table 4.3: Example 4.3. Performance of Algorithm 1 QSDP-BIQ-Q problems.  
 $a : d = ((n-1)/2)^2$ ,  $b : d = ((n-1)/3)^2$ ,  $c : d = ((n-1)/4)^2$ ,  $d : ((n-1)/5)^2$ . Maximum number of iterations: 25,000.

problem   $m$   $n_s; n_l$	iteration a b c d	$\eta$ a b c d	$\eta_{gap}$ a b c d	time a b c d
gka3e   201 ; 201 ;	4549   2124   1222   870	9.6-7   9.0-7   4.9-8   8.4-7	1.8-7   3.3-7   3.3-7   2.6-7	35   17   10   07
gka4e   201 ; 201 ;	4119   1774   1200   797	9.8-7   9.0-7   8.4-7   9.9-7	4.3-7   3.2-7   3.2-7   3.0-7	33   14   10   07
gka5e   201 ; 201 ;	5284   2027   1297   1003	9.9-7   6.3-7   9.9-7   9.5-7	3.9-7   2.2-7   2.2-7   3.0-7	41   16   11   08
gka1f   501 ; 501 ;	21402   10602   3464   2629	5.2-7   9.6-7   9.8-7   3.9-7	2.3-7   3.7-7   3.7-7   5.3-9	22:37   11:09   3:42   2:49
gka2f   501 ; 501 ;	18402   8834   3699   3300	7.5-7   8.9-7   9.6-7   9.9-7	-3.4-7   3.2-7   3.2-7   3.2-7	19:25   9:26   4:06   3:38
gka3f   501 ; 501 ;	16602   9754   3451   3114	4.8-7   9.5-7   2.7-7   9.7-7	-3.1-8   3.3-7   3.3-7   3.0-7	17:30   10:25   3:51   3:26
gka4f   501 ; 501 ;	23185   9589   5546   3882	8.7-7   5.5-7   5.3-7   9.9-7	1.4-7   -2.7-7   -2.7-7   3.2-7	24:38   10:11   5:52   4:15
gka5f   501 ; 501 ;	23402   9540   3675   3193	1.9-7   7.8-7   9.3-7   7.2-7	-4.4-8   -3.3-7   -3.3-7   1.3-7	24:47   10:02   4:04   3:29



Table 4.4: Example 4.4. Performance of Algorithm 1 QSDP-exBIQ problems.  
 $a : d = 0.09\|G\|^2$ ,  $b : d = 0.25\|G\|^2$ ,  $c : d = 0.49\|G\|^2$ . Maximum number of iterations: 50,000.

problem   $m$   $n_s; n_l$	iteration		$\eta$		$\eta_{gap}$		time	
	a b c		a b c		a b c		a b c	
be100.1   101 ; 101 ;	6524	6854   6956	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-3.0-7	-3.5-7   -3.5-7	1:23	1:25   1:22
be100.2   101 ; 101 ;	4378	4596   4462	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-4.3-7	-4.3-7   -4.3-7	49	50   48
be100.3   101 ; 101 ;	4002	4215   4003	6.9-7	9.7-7   7.8-7	-3.9-7	-6.0-7   -6.0-7	44	45   43
be100.4   101 ; 101 ;	5602	5603   5603	6.8-7	6.4-7   8.8-7	-8.7-7	-9.4-7   -9.4-7	1:03	1:01   1:01
be100.5   101 ; 101 ;	3822	3660   3833	9.3-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-1.9-7	-6.4-8   -6.4-8	42	41   42
be100.6   101 ; 101 ;	4269	4426   4402	9.9-7	9.9-7   8.4-7	-4.7-7	-6.9-7   -6.9-7	47	47   48
be100.7   101 ; 101 ;	4068	3975   3885	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-3.3-7	-3.1-7   -3.1-7	44	44   42
be100.8   101 ; 101 ;	5301	4913   5107	8.5-7	9.9-7   9.8-7	-5.1-7	-3.5-7   -3.5-7	59	53   57
be100.9   101 ; 101 ;	6408	6408   6014	9.6-7	9.9-7   9.7-7	-9.9-8	-7.2-8   -7.2-8	1:13	1:12   1:08
be100.10   101 ; 101 ;	4215	4050   4229	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	2.9-7	2.8-7   2.8-7	46	45   47
be120.3.1   121 ; 121 ;	7246	7280   7201	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.6-7	2.6-7	3.0-7   3.0-7	1:41	1:43   1:40
be120.3.2   121 ; 121 ;	5003	5564   5524	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-4.5-7	-4.1-7   -4.1-7	1:20	1:26   1:25
be120.3.3   121 ; 121 ;	4301	4264   4202	9.9-7	9.9-7   8.2-7	1.2-7	-1.4-7   -1.4-7	1:10	1:04   59
be120.3.4   121 ; 121 ;	6802	7994   7402	9.8-7	9.9-7   9.6-7	-8.4-7	-7.3-7   -7.3-7	1:50	2:05   1:44
be120.3.5   121 ; 121 ;	7558	7401   7465	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-8.8-8	-5.8-8   -5.8-8	1:52	1:48   1:48
be120.3.6   121 ; 121 ;	6821	7324   7012	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-3.8-7	-4.3-7   -4.3-7	1:43	1:44   1:40
be120.3.7   121 ; 121 ;	6570	7401   6844	9.6-7	9.8-7   9.9-7	-3.8-7	-3.1-7   -3.1-7	1:35	1:43   1:37
be120.3.8   121 ; 121 ;	5289	5160   5230	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-6.3-7	-5.2-7   -5.2-7	1:23	1:21   1:22
be120.3.9   121 ; 121 ;	4402	4353   4302	9.7-7	9.9-7   9.8-7	-3.7-7	-2.8-7   -2.8-7	1:11	1:10   1:11
be120.3.10   121 ; 121 ;	50000	6462   5403	<b>8.1-4</b>	9.9-7   7.0-7	<b>3.7-4</b>	-3.6-7   -3.6-7	16:45	1:32   1:16
be120.8.1   121 ; 121 ;	4199	4220   4203	9.8-7	9.9-7   6.5-7	-4.3-7	-2.7-7   -2.7-7	57	57   58

Table 4.4: Example 4.4. Performance of Algorithm 1 QSDP-exBIQ problems.  
 $a : d = 0.09\|G\|^2$ ,  $b : d = 0.25\|G\|^2$ ,  $c : d = 0.49\|G\|^2$ . Maximum number of iterations: 50,000.

	iteration	$\eta$	$\eta_{gap}$	time
problem   $m$   $n_s; n_l$	a b c	a b c	a b c	a b c
be120.8.2   121 ; 121 ;	6855   6682   6671	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.7-7	-5.1-7   -6.2-7   -6.2-7	1:50   1:40   1:33
be120.8.3   121 ; 121 ;	4946   4892   5313	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-7.3-7   -4.3-7   -4.3-7	1:10   1:09   1:14
be120.8.4   121 ; 121 ;	6729   6851   6934	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-5.7-7   -4.5-7   -4.5-7	1:33   1:33   1:36
be120.8.5   121 ; 121 ;	4973   5702   5503	9.9-7   8.5-7   9.9-7	-2.6-7   -2.2-7   -2.2-7	1:11   1:20   1:15
be120.8.6   121 ; 121 ;	4658   4650   4402	9.9-7   9.9-7   6.9-7	-4.1-7   -4.5-7   -4.5-7	1:05   1:04   1:01
be120.8.7   121 ; 121 ;	5392   5905   5483	9.9-7   7.0-7   9.9-7	-6.8-7   -5.3-7   -5.3-7	1:14   1:20   1:14
be120.8.8   121 ; 121 ;	5404   5506   5339	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-1.1-7   -2.6-7   -2.6-7	1:17   1:19   1:16
be120.8.9   121 ; 121 ;	4485   4261   4405	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-1.8-7   -3.4-7   -3.4-7	1:01   57   1:00
be120.8.10   121 ; 121 ;	4602   4417   4444	8.1-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-8.0-7   -3.7-7   -3.7-7	1:06   1:01   1:01
be150.3.1   151 ; 151 ;	5732   5708   5637	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-6.7-7   -6.4-7   -6.4-7	2:05   2:04   2:05
be150.3.2   151 ; 151 ;	5205   5009   5048	7.2-7   9.5-7   9.9-7	-3.8-7   -5.2-7   -5.2-7	1:56   1:48   1:50
be150.3.3   151 ; 151 ;	5107   4730   4610	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-5.2-8   -9.5-8   -9.5-8	1:53   1:39   1:29
be150.3.4   151 ; 151 ;	8193   8175   8218	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-4.2-7   -3.7-7   -3.7-7	2:37   2:39   2:41
be150.3.5   151 ; 151 ;	5424   5284   5216	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-1.7-7   -2.2-7   -2.2-7	1:47   1:46   1:44
be150.3.6   151 ; 151 ;	4607   4301   4334	9.7-7   9.1-7   9.9-7	1.8-7   -8.8-8   -8.8-8	1:38   1:31   1:31
be150.3.7   151 ; 151 ;	7850   7446   7424	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-5.5-7   -8.2-7   -8.2-7	3:00   2:34   2:32
be150.3.8   151 ; 151 ;	5202   5378   5380	8.7-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-3.4-7   -5.1-7   -5.1-7	1:56   2:00   1:59
be150.3.9   151 ; 151 ;	4430   4586   4660	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-8.2-8   -4.2-8   -4.2-8	1:38   1:28   1:30
be150.3.10   151 ; 151 ;	6259   7227   7258	9.9-7   9.8-7   9.9-7	-9.0-7   -4.8-7   -4.8-7	2:07   2:25   2:27
be150.8.1   151 ; 151 ;	5303   5783   5283	9.7-7   9.9-7   9.4-7	5.0-8   -3.5-8   -3.5-8	1:57   2:10   1:57
be150.8.2   151 ; 151 ;	4758   4883   4740	9.7-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	8.5-8   4.3-7   4.3-7	1:45   1:44   1:41

Table 4.4: Example 4.4. Performance of Algorithm 1 QSDP-exBIQ problems.  
 $a : d = 0.09\|G\|^2$ ,  $b : d = 0.25\|G\|^2$ ,  $c : d = 0.49\|G\|^2$ . Maximum number of iterations: 50,000.

	iteration	$\eta$	$\eta_{gap}$	time
problem   $m$   $n_s; n_t$	a b c	a b c	a b c	a b c
be150.8.3   151 ; 151 ;	6895   6922   6901	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.4-7	-2.8-7   -1.4-7   -1.4-7	2:25   2:17   2:16
be150.8.4   151 ; 151 ;	6802   5612   6913	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-2.5-7   -9.4-7   -9.4-7	2:28   1:48   2:18
be150.8.5   151 ; 151 ;	5901   5236   5231	7.0-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-3.2-7   -1.6-7   -1.6-7	2:16   1:58   1:57
be150.8.6   151 ; 151 ;	5301   5077   5445	9.2-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-4.5-7   -5.0-7   -5.0-7	2:05   1:53   2:01
be150.8.7   151 ; 151 ;	5718   5481   5885	9.8-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-6.6-7   -4.6-7   -4.6-7	2:07   2:02   2:10
be150.8.8   151 ; 151 ;	5543   5722   5652	9.5-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	-7.9-8   -2.6-7   -2.6-7	2:04   2:04   2:06
be150.8.9   151 ; 151 ;	7101   7282   7278	9.8-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-5.0-7   -2.8-7   -2.8-7	2:44   2:39   2:23
be150.8.10   151 ; 151 ;	5039   4996   4996	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-4.4-7   -6.5-7   -6.5-7	2:02   1:52   1:56
be200.3.1   201 ; 201 ;	5702   5698   5712	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	4.1-7   5.8-7   5.8-7	3:22   3:16   3:18
be200.3.2   201 ; 201 ;	5653   5475   5301	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	6.8-7   6.9-7   6.9-7	3:02   2:46   2:45
be200.3.3   201 ; 201 ;	8271   7801   8184	9.9-7   9.7-7   9.4-7	-2.6-7   -5.2-7   -5.2-7	4:39   4:08   4:15
be200.3.4   201 ; 201 ;	7797   8276   7802	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.7-7	-8.4-7   -8.2-7   -8.2-7	4:09   4:24   4:07
be200.3.5   201 ; 201 ;	5702   5803   5803	9.3-7   7.8-7   7.8-7	-5.2-7   -4.9-7   -4.9-7	3:23   3:17   3:01
be200.3.6   201 ; 201 ;	5603   5515   5581	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	1.4-7   -5.9-7   -5.9-7	2:52   2:54   3:00
be200.3.7   201 ; 201 ;	10284   12592   11101	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-1.5-7   -9.9-8   -9.9-8	5:50   7:14   5:56
be200.3.8   201 ; 201 ;	6255   7248   7190	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-5.7-7   -3.4-7   -3.4-7	3:29   4:02   3:59
be200.3.9   201 ; 201 ;	6665   7139   8558	9.8-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-6.4-7   -1.7-7   -1.7-7	3:46   4:02   4:52
be200.3.10   201 ; 201 ;	5312   5311   5036	9.6-7   9.3-7   9.9-7	5.4-8   -1.6-7   -1.6-7	2:56   2:55   2:48
be200.8.1   201 ; 201 ;	9385   8370   8243	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-3.9-7   -4.4-7   -4.4-7	5:30   4:47   4:41
be200.8.2   201 ; 201 ;	5021   4942   6355	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	8.9-8   1.9-7   1.9-7	2:46   2:41   3:29
be200.8.3   201 ; 201 ;	6807   6901   7401	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.7-7	-6.2-7   -6.9-7   -6.9-7	3:51   3:52   4:13

Table 4.4: Example 4.4. Performance of Algorithm 1 QSDP-exBIQ problems.  
 $a : d = 0.09\|G\|^2$ ,  $b : d = 0.25\|G\|^2$ ,  $c : d = 0.49\|G\|^2$ . Maximum number of iterations: 50,000.

	iteration	$\eta$	$\eta_{gap}$	time
problem   $m$   $n_s; n_l$	a b c	a b c	a b c	a b c
be200.8.4   201 ; 201 ;	7558   7201   6297	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-3.0-7   -8.9-8   -8.9-8	4:18   4:05   3:32
be200.8.5   201 ; 201 ;	6260   6056   6271	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-3.8-7   -3.7-7   -3.7-7	3:31   3:22   3:28
be200.8.6   201 ; 201 ;	12393   12136   11277	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-2.1-7   -2.1-7   -2.1-7	7:32   7:22   6:48
be200.8.7   201 ; 201 ;	7047   6602   7203	9.9-7   8.6-7   9.5-7	-8.7-7   -8.8-7   -8.8-7	3:58   3:47   4:01
be200.8.8   201 ; 201 ;	9301   9179   9701	9.6-7   9.9-7   9.6-7	-3.2-7   -3.1-7   -3.1-7	5:34   5:30   5:44
be200.8.9   201 ; 201 ;	6442   5802   5967	9.9-7   9.7-7   9.9-7	7.5-8   -6.9-7   -6.9-7	3:41   3:17   3:20
be200.8.10   201 ; 201 ;	5001   5065   5291	9.6-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	8.8-8   -2.5-7   -2.5-7	2:48   2:51   2:56
be250.1   251 ; 251 ;	12101   12002   12849	9.6-7   8.7-7   9.9-7	-5.7-7   -9.2-7   -9.2-7	9:45   9:08   10:14
be250.2   251 ; 251 ;	9576   10841   9944	9.7-7   9.9-7   8.8-7	-4.1-7   -3.7-7   -3.7-7	8:13   9:16   8:16
be250.3   251 ; 251 ;	19937   19003   18403	9.9-7   9.6-7   5.5-7	-8.4-7   -9.7-7   -9.7-7	17:09   16:38   15:03
be250.4   251 ; 251 ;	21101   19909   21201	8.6-7   9.9-7   9.7-7	-8.4-7   -9.2-7   -9.2-7	18:01   16:28   18:00
be250.5   251 ; 251 ;	8266   7472   9626	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-1.0-7   -1.8-7   -1.8-7	6:28   5:47   7:32
be250.6   251 ; 251 ;	14268   13155   13501	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-1.7-7   -1.9-7   -1.9-7	11:47   10:54   11:19
be250.7   251 ; 251 ;	13601   14502   13716	9.8-7   9.8-7   9.9-7	-4.8-7   -4.3-7   -4.3-7	11:16   11:57   11:23
be250.8   251 ; 251 ;	13842   13955   13702	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.7-7	-3.2-7   -3.3-7   -3.3-7	12:27   11:48   12:04
be250.9   251 ; 251 ;	8251   8230   8455	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-1.3-7   -1.2-7   -1.2-7	7:56   7:15   6:25
be250.10   251 ; 251 ;	10881   9921   10779	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-2.1-7   -2.4-7   -2.4-7	8:48   7:37   8:16
bqp250-1   251 ; 251 ;	17202   17535   18352	7.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-9.9-7   -6.9-7   -6.9-7	16:12   15:42   16:22
bqp250-2   251 ; 251 ;	9801   10398   11402	8.4-7   9.9-7   9.8-7	-7.5-7   -3.0-7   -3.0-7	7:03   7:47   8:05
bqp250-3   251 ; 251 ;	13203   13603   12621	9.9-7   8.4-7   9.9-7	-8.8-7   -8.5-7   -8.5-7	11:01   10:30   10:05
bqp250-4   251 ; 251 ;	9601   10605   9821	9.6-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-4.7-7   -3.4-7   -3.4-7	7:25   8:00   7:17

Table 4.4: Example 4.4. Performance of Algorithm 1 QSDP-exBIQ problems.  
 $a : d = 0.09\|G\|^2$ ,  $b : d = 0.25\|G\|^2$ ,  $c : d = 0.49\|G\|^2$ . Maximum number of iterations: 50,000.

problem   $m$   $n_s; n_t$	iteration		$\eta$		$\eta_{gap}$		time	
	a b c		a b c		a b c		a b c	
bqp250-5   251 ; 251 ;	13898	14110   14105	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-2.2-7	-3.0-7   -3.0-7	10:46	10:29   10:33
bqp250-6   251 ; 251 ;	7816	7754   6003	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.7-7	-1.5-7	-1.7-7   -1.7-7	6:27	6:26   4:54
bqp250-7   251 ; 251 ;	11222	11532   12197	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-6.7-7	-6.0-7   -6.0-7	8:20	8:32   8:54
bqp250-8   251 ; 251 ;	8047	7738   8402	9.8-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-4.3-7	-3.3-7   -3.3-7	6:34	5:40   6:09
bqp250-9   251 ; 251 ;	10111	8301   10716	9.7-7	9.3-7   9.9-7	-6.8-7	-8.0-7   -8.0-7	8:14	6:08   7:42
bqp250-10   251 ; 251 ;	6709	7777   7831	9.0-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-5.8-7	-2.3-7   -2.3-7	5:45	6:36   6:40
bqp500-1   501 ; 501 ;	14476	16498   14959	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-1.8-7	-1.6-7   -1.6-7	57:57	1:07:12   1:01:08
bqp500-2   501 ; 501 ;	18417	18991   19097	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-1.3-7	-1.1-7   -1.1-7	1:16:14	1:24:01   1:22:43
bqp500-3   501 ; 501 ;	16791	18984   16588	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-2.6-7	-2.6-7   -2.6-7	1:11:19	1:20:28   1:10:36
bqp500-4   501 ; 501 ;	14402	14402   14402	9.2-7	8.8-7   8.7-7	-10.0-7	-9.4-7   -9.4-7	59:35	1:02:11   1:02:15
bqp500-5   501 ; 501 ;	18640	17378   17942	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-1.7-7	-1.9-7   -1.9-7	1:17:43	1:13:00   1:15:28
bqp500-6   501 ; 501 ;	17505	17672   17385	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-2.0-7	-2.0-7   -2.0-7	1:16:54	1:18:26   1:14:54
bqp500-7   501 ; 501 ;	9501	9302   9301	7.7-7	8.1-7   7.5-7	-3.8-7	-5.4-7   -5.4-7	39:43	38:52   39:00
bqp500-8   501 ; 501 ;	17916	20303   20453	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-7.6-7	-4.5-7   -4.5-7	1:18:20	1:29:42   1:31:23
bqp500-9   501 ; 501 ;	13098	12964   13304	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-8.0-8	-8.8-8   -8.8-8	55:48	53:44   56:33
bqp500-10   501 ; 501 ;	17626	18091   17591	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-2.4-7	-2.5-7   -2.5-7	1:15:42	1:19:51   1:17:15
gka1e   201 ; 201 ;	24825	24808   24701	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-2.3-7	-2.2-7   -2.2-7	16:50	16:46   16:40
gka2e   201 ; 201 ;	7502	7527   7726	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-1.5-7	-1.4-7   -1.4-7	4:50	4:49   4:59
gka3e   201 ; 201 ;	6214	7868   8013	9.8-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-3.4-7	-2.7-7   -2.7-7	4:13	5:18   5:23
gka4e   201 ; 201 ;	7203	7648   7760	6.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-9.3-7	-4.7-7   -4.7-7	4:57	5:13   5:24
gka5e   201 ; 201 ;	6642	5552   5761	9.9-7	9.9-7   9.9-7	-4.7-7	-5.9-8   -5.9-8	4:45	3:54   3:39

Table 4.4: Example 4.4. Performance of Algorithm 1 QSDP-exBIQ problems.  
 $a : d = 0.09\|G\|^2$ ,  $b : d = 0.25\|G\|^2$ ,  $c : d = 0.49\|G\|^2$ . Maximum number of iterations: 50,000.

problem   $m$   $n_s; n_l$	iteration a b c	$\eta$ a b c	$\eta_{gap}$ a b c	time a b c
gka1f   501 ; 501 ;	9601   14363   14991	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-4.0-7   -2.5-7   -2.5-7	42:37   1:03:49   1:06:24
gka2f   501 ; 501 ;	9567   9464   9488	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-6.5-7   -7.3-7   -7.3-7	41:27   41:06   41:02
gka3f   501 ; 501 ;	12903   13844   13279	9.8-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-5.3-7   -2.5-7   -2.5-7	58:15   1:03:04   1:00:27
gka4f   501 ; 501 ;	14495   14386   13406	9.8-7   9.9-7   8.4-7	-7.2-7   -7.2-7   -7.2-7	1:05:05   1:04:19   1:00:02
gka5f   501 ; 501 ;	17960   16587   16273	9.9-7   9.9-7   9.9-7	-1.3-7   -1.4-7   -1.4-7	1:22:53   1:16:24   1:15:10

**Example 4.5.** The quadratically constrained nearest correlation problem. Sun and Zhang [75] consider the following nearest correlation problem for robust estimation of correlation matrix:

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \frac{1}{2} \|X - C\|^2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \frac{1}{2} \|X - \tilde{C}\|^2 \leq \varepsilon \\ & \text{diag}(X) = e, \\ & X \in \mathcal{S}_+^n, \end{aligned}$$

where  $e \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is the vector ones,  $C, \tilde{C}$  are the sample covariance matrices from short-term data and long-term data respectively and  $\varepsilon$  is a positive constant to control the size of trust region from the long-term stable estimation. In our test, we first generate the correlation matrix  $G$  by the following MATLAB commands:

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x=10^[-4:4/(n-1):0]; G = gallery('randcorr',n*x/sum(x));
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then, we perturb  $G$ , and conduct our numerical experiments under the following four situations:

- (i)  $\tilde{C} = G + 10^{-1} * \tilde{E}; C = G + 10^{-1} * E;$
- (ii)  $\tilde{C} = G + 10^{-2} * \tilde{E}; C = G + 10^{-2} * E;$
- (iii)  $\tilde{C} = G + 10^{-2} * \tilde{E}; C = G + 10^{-1} * E;$
- (iv)  $\tilde{C} = G + 10^{-1} * \tilde{E}; C = G + 10^{-2} * E;$

where  $E$  and  $\tilde{E}$  are two random symmetric matrices generated by

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E = rand(n); E = (E+E')/2; for i=1:n; E(i,i)=1; end;
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We take  $\varepsilon = r\|C - \tilde{C}\|$ , with  $r = 0.6$  and  $r = 0.8$ , respectively. We test four cases when  $n = 100, 500, 1000$  and  $2000$ , respectively.

All the problems in this example are tested by running MATLAB on a MacBook Pro with one 2.3 GHz Intel Core i5 Processor and 4GB (DDR3-1333MHz) RAM.

Table 4.5: Performance of Algorithm 1 for quadratically constrained nearest correlation problem.  $r = 0.8$ .

	iteration	$\eta$	time
$n$	(i) (ii) (iii) (iv)	(i) (ii) (iii) (iv)	(i) (ii) (iii) (iv)
100	26   20   24   18	8.3-7   7.3-7   9.7-7   3.6-7	0.5 0.4 0.5 0.4
500	30   31   30   29	8.0-7   9.3-7   8.0-7   8.3-7	8.4 9 8.5 8
1000	31   31   31   30	8.8-7   9.3-7   8.8-7   7.7-7	58.6 59.4 56.6 53.3
2000	29   23   29   23	9.7-7   7.3-7   9.7-7   7.3-7	15:15 11:50 21:36 12:03

Table 4.6: Performance of Algorithm 1 for quadratically constrained nearest correlation problem.  $r = 0.6$ .

	iteration	$\eta$	time
$n$	(i) (ii) (iii) (iv)	(i) (ii) (iii) (iv)	(i) (ii) (iii) (iv)
100	32   31   30   31	8.4-7   5.8-7   7.2-7   5.8-7	0.4 0.4 0.3 0.4
500	30   31   30   29	7.9-7   9.3-7   7.9-7   8.3-7	8.5 8.9 8.6 7.9
1000	31   31   31   30	8.8-7   9.3-7   8.8-7   7.7-7	58 59.4 58.6 55.2
2000	32   30   32   30	9.5-7   7.8-7   9.5-7   7.8-7	7:03 6:36 6:43 6:27

Table 4.5 and Table 4.6 report the number of iterations and time of computing for  $r = 0.8$  and  $r = 0.6$ , respectively. The numerical results show that our proposed algorithm is efficient in solving the robust nearest correlation problems. For all the test examples, we can solve them to the required accuracy within a small number of iterations.

Observing the numerical results for all the examples being tested, we can conclude that our proposed algorithm is capable of dealing with QSDP problems with quadratic constraints. We can solve most of the test examples to the accuracy of  $10^{-6}$  efficiently. We only test the QSDP problems with quadratic constraints in this section, while our proposed algorithm can be applied to other nonlinear constrained convex conic programming problems. We will leave this part to future study.



## Conclusions

In this thesis, we focus on solving a class of nonlinearly constrained convex composite conic optimization problems.

In order to obtain some guidance on solving the general nonlinearly constrained convex composite conic programming model, we conduct a variety of numerical experiments to evaluate the computational performance of some existing first order methods for large scale linear semidefinite programming problems. It can be observed from the numerical results that applying the ADMM to the dual of linear SDP is very effective. Besides the study of the first order methods, we propose an approximate semismooth Newton-CG method for solving the inner problems in the augmented Lagrangian method. We only need a small part of the second order information when using this method. The linear convergence of this approximate semismooth Newton-CG method is established. The numerical results indicate that the approximate semismooth Newton-CG augmented Lagrangian method can achieve high accuracy efficiently. For the tested instance with  $n \geq 8,000$ , it can reduce about 50% of computational time compared to the semismooth Newton-CG augmented Lagrangian method.

By taking the advantage of the recently developed symmetric Gauss-Seidel technique, we propose a multi-block inexact ADMM-type algorithm for solving the nonlinearly constrained convex composite conic programming model and its dual. We study the subproblems and tackle the difficulties introduced by the nonlinear constraints. We give implementable error tolerance criteria for solving the subproblems even when the subproblem do not have explicit formula and the subgradients can not be easily calculated. We allow both indefinite proximal terms and inexactness in our algorithm. Global convergence and iteration complexity results are established. Computational experiments on a variety of semidefinite programming problems with quadratic constraints are conducted. The numerical results indicate that our proposed method is capable of handling both the linear and nonlinear constraints and solving the problems to moderate accuracy efficiently.

It should be noticed that the work done in this thesis is far from comprehensive. Below we briefly list some research directions that deserve further explorations.

- Can one design an efficient second order algorithm and combine it with our algorithm to achieve better accuracy?
- Is our algorithm still effective in solving general nonlinearly constrained convex programming problems?
- Can we find more applications and apply our method to them?

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